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ZHUKOV'S MEN BREAK INTO BERLIN

Hitler In Command Of Suicide Battalions

Reds Occupy Potsdam Area: 20 Suburbs Of Doomed Capital In Russian Hands

MOSCOW, April 23. (Reuter and U.P.A): Marshal Zhukov's forces have broken into Berlin after smashing German defences, announced Marshal Stalin in an 'Order of the Day' to-night. The four districts of Pankov, Oranienburg, Koepenik and Friedrichsfelde have been captured.

The Russians have occupied the Potsdam area of Berlin, the German-controlled STB agency reported from Berlin, via Oslo, to-night.

Berlin tonight is three quarters surrounded by Russian forces according to the German radio. The reports revealed that a sudden new thrust had been made by the Soviet forces north of Berlin while other Red Army columns had pushed to within three miles of the great central thoroughfare of the capital, Unter den Linden.

HITLER COMMANDS SUICIDE TROOPS

LONDON: Adolf Hitler is in command of German suicide battalions tonight, fighting on Berlin's barricades against Soviet street fighting experts, veterans of the Battle of Stalingrad who are driving for key strongholds in the centre of the doomed capital.

In streets chocked by the ruins of shattered buildings, Soviet shock battalions are mopping up one German last-ditch defence point after another, while morfars and artillery smash what remains of the city's administrative centre.

Berlin reported today that German troops had recaptured a railway station in one of the eastern suburbs, but admitted that the Russians had made penetration along Prenzlauer Allef, one of the main radial arteries leading to Alexanderplatz in the heart of the capital.

With 20 Berlin suburbs already in their hands, the Russians were reported by German sources to be within a short distance of Unter den Linden, heart of the city, though Soviet unofficial reports put them two miles away, cabled Reuter's Special Correspondent in Moscow.

REDS CLOSING IN ON DRESDEN

Further south Dresden, the capital of Saxony, is beginning to crumble under Soviet shellfire, with Marshal Koniev's forces closing in for a final assault on the city.

An official announcement that American and Russian armies have linked up for the first time in the war, possibly in the Dresden area is expected hourly.

While Field Marshal Montgomery's armies which now dominate the Elbe river for 50 miles, are 10 miles west of Hamburg suburbs, General Patton has sprung a new surprise on the Germans in the south. United States Third Army tanks have swung away from Czechoslovakia and are today heading due south towards the heart of Hitler's Bavarian redoubt.

General Patton's armoured spearheads were last reported, driving down the Naab Valley towards Regensburg, the historic German strongholds 65 miles north of Munich, the headquarters of the Nazi Party. Munich is itself also menaced by General Patch's Seventh American Army, which is now pouring men and material into its bridgehead across the Danube river at Dillingen, 53 miles north-west of Munich.

BERLIN SKY, AN INFERNO

STOCKHOLM, April 23 (Reuter): The entire air over Berlin seems to be glowing, according to the Berlin correspondent of the German-controlled Scandinavian telegram bureau in a message sent here by way of Copenhagen.

"Over this inferno ever-larger squadrons of Russian bombers appear," he says.

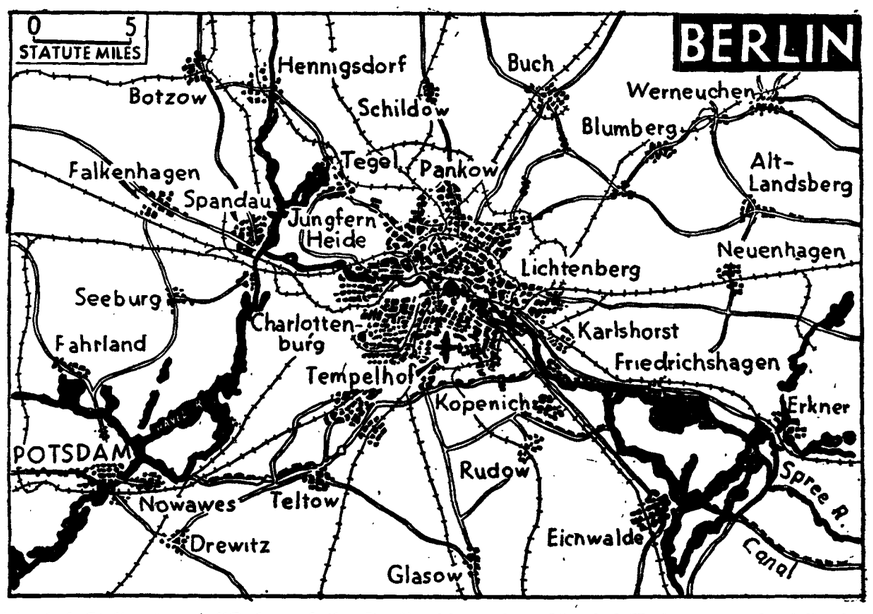
"They bomb west exits of the capital and special military objectives while Stormoviks make divebombing attacks on German troops moving up between houses.

"Last night great fires raged in districts behind the castle and cathedral which were set on fire by artillerry."

Czech Government Orders Non-Co-operation

CZECHOSLOVAKIA, April 23 (Reuter): Czechs, living in Bohemia and Moravia, were today told to rise and help the liberation Armies to destroy the German Forces on Czech soil.

The order was given by the Czech Government here, after a special cabinet meeting, says the Czechoslovak Press Bureau.



Marshal Stalin, in an "Order of the Day" addressed to Marshal Zhukov, says the following towns have been captured: Frankfurt-on-Oder, Wandlitz, Oranienburg, Birkenwerder, Pankow Friedrichsfelde, Karlshorst, Koepenik and Genningdorf. The distances of the four districts from the heart of Berlin are: Pankow four miles north-east, Oranienburg 15 miles north-west, Koepenik 10 miles south-east and Friedrichsfelde 5 miles east.

REDS BREAK INTO BERLIN FROM SOUTH

MOSCOW, April 23. (Reuter): Marshal Koniev's forces have broken into Berlin from the south, announced Marshal Stalin in a second "Order of the Day" to-night.

The Elbe has been reached west of Dresden.

HITLER REMAINS IN BERLIN

Goebbels Says Capital And Prague Are Last Bastions Against Reds

LONDON, April 23: (Reuter): The German radio today reported that Hitler is in Berlin.

Quoting an appeal by Dr. Goebbels, the radio said: "The Fuehrer has decided to remain in this hour in the Reich capital.

We announce it to the German people and tell it to the entire world We also give it as a fitting reply to the treacherous means with which the Bolsheviks are fighting against us."

Goebbels added: "There are two positions which we cannot abandon to the Bolsheviks, and which we shall not abandon, unless the whole of Europe is to go down with us. The two positions are Berlin and Prague, against which at present Bolshevism is hurling itself.

'If the Bolsheviks succeed in taking Berlin—and we say it at a time when the main fighting line runs right through the Reich capital—and if he conquers Prague, there is no longer Europe left.

"In the hour particularly today, we have to prove our worth as the leaders of Europe and must never forget the task set us by fate.

"That is why the Fuehrer has remained in Berlin in the immediate vicinity of the frontline, which has not only a military but also a political aspect. Hence from Berlin the Fuehrer has thrown in all military forces that Germany has at her disposal to be pitted immediately against the Bolsheviks."

The Oslo radio quoting an announcement made to the German people on the German wireless system, said "Hitler is in Berlin and in personal command of the defence against the Bolshevik mass onslaught."

The German radio later today reported that office workers of the German armed forces, pistols in hand are taking part in the battle for the capital.

The radio said: "Every available man is now engaged in the battle. Dispatch riders are handling anti-tank weapons."

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Accommodation Census

LUCKNOW, April 23 (A.P.I.): To solve the housing problem in Lucknow, the District Magistrate has ordered a census of accommodation which is being conducted by the food officers of the Lucknow rationing organisation.

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Progress Along Po

A.H.Q., ITALY, April 23 (Reuter): Fifth and Eighth Army troops now line the River Po at several places. There is very fierce fighting round Ferrera.

Exhorted Soldiers To Be Ready For Armed Revolt

Four Britishers On Trial For Spreading Anarchist Literature

LONDON, April 23 (Reuter): An envelope addressed to an R A F man at Secunderabad, was mentioned at the Old Bailey yesterday when three men and one woman denied charges of having endeavoured to seduce members of His Majesty's Forces and to cause disaffection.

The accused were Vernon Richards, aged 29 Marie Louis Richards, aged 26, John Christopher Hewetson, aged 32, and Philip Richard Sanson, aged 28.

The prosecution alleged that all the three had been concerned in circulating material advocating anarchism and exhorting soldiers to organise councils to be ready for an armed revolution. A number of soldiers found in possession of some of this anarchist propaganda gave evidence but denied being disaffected. Hewetson and Richards were described as proprietors of firms which printed anarchist material with Mrs. Richards as manageress in one case.

Envelopes addressed to men in the forces, including an R A F man at Secunderabad, were found at Sanson's home. All were remanded on bail.

Stalin To Present

Berlin As Gift To 'Frisco

LONDON, April 23 (U.P.I.): The latest description of the Russians advance in the suburbs of Berlin is "Incredible."

A sensational report says that at Yalta, Stalin had promised Mr. Churchill and President Roosevelt to present Berlin to the United Nations before the San Francisco Conference met.

It is significant that contrary to practice of Moscow, these Russian victories are not celebrated with salvoes of guns in the capital of Russia.

Will Wednesday be Berlin Victory Day? "Stalin's word is as good as bonds", said Mr. Winston Churchill in his speech at Yalta. "Mark Wednesday, April 25 as red in your calender", said a Swedish correspondent this afternoon.

Allies Driving Into "Southern Redoubt"

S.H.A.E.F.: Two American armies, the Third and Seventh are smashing south-east along a front of 200 miles from Plauen, 40 miles south-west of Chemnitz, to Lake Constance on the Swiss border after their link-up.

Breaking off their push into Czechoslovakia the right wing of the Third Army is driving with the Seventh Army into the "southern redoubt" area where the Nazis plan to make their last stand.

For the present these two armies appear to have relegated operations in Central Germany to zones of secondary importance and are concentrating on the southern mountain region, where they anticipate a full-scale German effort to prolong the war.

It is impossible to overstimate the importance of this south new drive against the "southern redoubt" in terms not only of hastening the "V-Day", but completely ending the German will and ability to fight.

American thrusts of 20 to 30 miles through this terrain indicate that the Germans are not too strong and perhaps have not yet prepared stout defences.

MAHATMA INTERESTED

Improving Civic Amenities In Mahableshwar

MAHABLESHWAR, April 23 (U. P. I.): It is understood that Mahatma Gandhi is taking keen interest in the living conditions of the working classes of Mahableshwar and the district round about. He is stated to have asked his associates and public workers, who meet him at frequent intervals, to find out how far rationing and price control in particular have been proving successful. He is also said to have evinced interest in the Municipal administration, and wants information on sanitation, education, water supply facilities and other things. The chief problem here is of water supply which is only available from deep wells.

Mahatma Gandhi is cheerful and is gaining in health. He is having his usual hourly morning and evening walks.

Gandhiji's Denial: No Letter To Bhulabhai

BOMBAY, April 23 (A.P.I.): Mahatma Gandhi has telegraphed to the Associated Press, pointing out that there is no basis for the report (published in the "Morning Standard", on Saturday) that he had sent a letter to Mr. Bhulabhai Desai on the subject of Parliamentary programme.

Mahatma Gandhi says no letter was sent to Mr. Bhulabhai Desai.

MAHATMA'S ADVICE TO TRAVANCOREANS

MAHABLESHWAR, April 23 (U. P. I.): "You are the best judges what to do under the circumstances. You know also what I have done in similar situation. Beyond this I am unable to say anything."

This reply was given by Gandhiji in writing to Mr. K. Ramkrishna Pillai, former President of the Travancore State Congress Committee, who was the first visitor to meet Gandhiji yesterday after his arrival at Mahableshwar.

It is understood that Mr. Pillai appraised Gandhiji of the latest political situation in the Travancore State and how the President and the two Secretaries were arrested. He also acquainted Mahatma Gandhi with the progress of work in connection with Gandhiji's constructive programme.

White Flags In Centre Of Berlin

SWISS RADIO ANNOUNCEMENT

RUSSIANS ON UNTER DEN LINDEN: MOSCOW HOPES FOR CLEAN-UP OF GERMANY BEFORE MAY DAY

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, April 23.

Early morning to-day the Swiss radio announced that white flags were flying in the centre of Berlin.

The Russians are now on Unter den Linden. Resistance in some parts of the suburbs is still fierce. But the battle for Berlin is practically over.

MAD NIGHT OF PANIC

It is a mad night of panic all over Berlin, according to reports from Berlin received at Stockholm. "Get away from the Russians"—this mad cry is sweeping through Berlin and despite Dr. Goebbels' proclamation thousands of people are desperately scrambling a board the westbound underground trains. Many were thrown under the trains losing their lives. Thousands more are choking the roads from Berlin westwards, living again the bitter hours they had inflicted on France in 1940.

Berlin is now an isolated city with all telephones to the outside world cut off.

"SAVE US FROM RUSSIANS"

It is ironical enough the Stockholm Dagensnyheter's Berlin correspondent in his last telephone message from Berlin reported that Berliners were asking "Why don't Americans get going through the Elbe. Why don't they advance faster to save us from the Russians?"

ALL WILL BE CLEANED UP BEFORE MAY DAY

Messages from Moscow say that Berlin is cracking. There is not any doubt that thousands of fires are raging all over Berlin. Berliners are fleeing westwards by thousands. Russians believe the situation all over Germany will be cleaned up in time for the greatest May Day celebration ever held in the U.S.S.R. London and Washington where people are hourly awaiting the simultaneous announcement of the greatest moment in the European war—linking up of the Allied armies from the east and the west and the fall of Berlin.

FRAU RIBBENTROP TURNED BACK

Meanwhile messages from Zurich say that a fur coated German woman accompanied by a boy of twelve reached the Swiss side of Lake Constance at Ermatingen and arrogantly demanded admittance into Switzerland. She said she came from Vienna. The frontier guards sent her back and the boy to Germany, because she was Frau Ribbentrop.

Himmler's Last Ditch Stand

Italy Moves May Affect German "Fortress" Plans

LONDON, April 22 (Globe): The Allied capture of Bologna, gateway of northern Italy, is seen as occurring at a significant moment in relation to the Anglo-American-Russian squeeze on Germany. It is believed that further swift and decisive moves by Allied forces in Italy may now radically affect the Germans' chances of a last stand in the south German "Fortress."

Brigadier E. C. Anstey, writing in the 'Sunday Chronicle', points out that the German Army in Italy is—excluding troops of the Berlin-Oder-Elbe area—the most powerful force the Nazis have left in the field. It is likely that it was designed to be the core of Himmler's last-ditch stand in the Berchtesgaden-Tyrol area and might give the Allies considerable trouble if it took up final stations unshaken.

Germans Scared Pink Karaka's Cable Page 5

But it is already clear that McCreary is well on his way to fulfilling his promise to "either capture or destroy the enemy south of the river Po" and the Italian attack, therefore, has great significance and promise.

Lt.-Gen. Reymann

LONDON, April 23 (Globe): No trace of Lieutenant-General Reymann, who, Goebbels announced over the week-end, has been charged with the military defence of Berlin, can be found in the reference books.

He is described as the holder of Oak Leaves to the Iron Cross. Surprise is expressed here that Germany, with its plethora of marshals, colonel-generals and generals, should entrust such a vital task to a man of such comparatively low rank.

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DANGERS OF DELHI MOVE

Indian Merchants' Chamber Chief Protests Against Decision Taken Behind Back Of Commercial Community

BOMBAY, Monday.

On reading the very short summary of the future industrial policy of the Government of India which has appeared in the press, Mr. M. A. Master, President, Indian Merchants' Chamber, remarked that the manner in which the Government proposed to nationalise the industries in the country was bound to sound the death-knell of private enterprise in India in the future. It is deplorable that the Government of India should have taken even the provisional decisions mentioned in the communique, vital as they are to the industrial development of the country, without consulting the commercial community of India, and it will be a tragedy if they were to arrive at their final conclusions on these fundamental matters without taking the commercial community fully into their confidence and giving them the fullest opportunity to have their say in the matter.

The principle which will govern the policy of nationalisation, as outlined in the summary, is neither in accordance with what they have stated in their own Yellow Book nor is it in consonance with the recognised practice in such matters in other important countries of the world. The concentration of such wide powers, as are outlined in the statement, in the hands of the irresponsible Central Government, constituted as at present, cannot be and will not be in the larger interests of the people. In view of the very far-reaching implications of the proposals in this connection, it is in the interest of India that no action should be taken which could only remain in operation so long as the present Constitution lasts. India demands that this Constitution must change within the very near future and it is, therefore, essential that all these large changes in the policy of the country should only take place when India gets a National Government responsible to the people of the country. In view of the strong predilections of the present Government for the co-operation and control of foreign capital with Indian capital in the running of industries in this country and having regard to its helplessness to protect the existing Indian industries both from internal and external competition as long as the 1935 Constitution stands, Mr. Master warned the commercial community not to be enamoured of the so-called socialistic sentiments in which the Government statement seems to have been clothed. Moreover, there is no clear indication of policy as to what place British capital will occupy in the establishment of industries and what position will be given to British Corporations in the management of industries to be owned by the State. If industrialisation of India is to be achieved by the development of industries owned, controlled and managed by the nationals of the country, which alone can add to the wealth of the nation and raise the self-respect and the standard of living of the people it is essential that the Government should say so in clear and unambiguous language. Without the declaration of such a national policy Mr. Master concluded that there could be no enthusiasm in the country for the type of industrialisation which the Government, as constituted today, intend to promote and which is decidedly not in the real interests of India.

Pranlal Condemns Delhi Plan

Mr. Pranlal Devkaran Nanjee has issued the following statement on Government of India's communique regarding the control of key industries

It is difficult to express an opinion in the absence of a full statement. However, on a cursory reading of the summary published in this morning's papers, what comes uppermost in my mind is that such radical action is about to be taken, when we do not have a National Government at the Centre. For all drastic changes of this character, however laudable and beneficial their objects may be as in the present case, the first pre-requisite is the existence of a National Government which commands the confidence of the people.

Another thing which strikes me is that the effect of such control would be to seriously affect, repress and even perhaps drive away private initiative and enterprise.

While we all earnestly desire the industrialisation of our country and believe that for the proper planning and the full and rapid development thereof, active Government help, encouragement and guidance are essential, our experience of controls in this country has not been happy. It has shown a preponderance of red-tapism, officialdom and in many cases ignorance and confusion, and has, under the plea of helping the consumer, even encouraged the import of foreign goods to the detriment of indigenous industries.

I think that before an all-pervading country-wide measure of this kind is taken, the public will want a National Government at the centre and also an assurance that our unfortunate experiences of controls will not be repeated, that private enterprise and initiative will not be unduly hurt and that non-Indian capital and management will not be allowed.

"INDIA WOULD BECOME ANOTHER WARRING EUROPE"

Kamaladevi Warns Against Division Of India Into Feudal States

INDORE, April 22 (A. P. I.): Mrs. Kamaladevi Chattopadhyaya, speaking under the auspices of the Indore Congress Committee, said, "Indian States cannot be isolated from the rest of India for our country's problem is single and indivisible."

The economic structure of India to-day, she said, was semifuedalistic and it was partly on these feudal props that the imperialistic rule of Britain rested. The economic problem of India could not be solved unless all feudal institutions were got rid of and our present economic structure was fundamentally altered. Among these feudal vistiges were the Indian States. In a Free India such obsolete type of institutions could not exist in their present out-model form. Our present political policy of hands off the States was fraught with danger, as was evident from the Cripps offer, which sought to cut India up into numerous bits at the whim of the rulers of any of the States.

India would then become another warring Europe, that unhappy continent.

"If India is to avoid such a fate said Mrs. Kamaladevi, she must realise her unity. The 1942 movement was on such spontaneous realisation. Our future has to be built on such rich experiences.

Bandra Bus Workers Threaten To Strike

Company Alleged To Have Disregarded Reasonable Demands

Anil Mavani, General Secrtary, Bandra Bus Co. Kamgar Union, writes:—Bandra Bus Co. has about 300 workers and they have many grievances. The workers have put their demands many times before the management and the management always promises to look into the matter but till now nothing has been done. Recently they have formed their Union and addressed a letter on 13th March to the Company putting forward their demands:— Increase of basic wages to BEST standard, increase of Dearness Allowance to that of Textile workers, provident fund, bonus, 4 uniforms, introduction of 8 hours of unbroken duty, discontinuance of malpractice of employing workers on temporary basis, etc.

A reminder too was sent, but the Company has not cared to pay heed to the workers' demands. On 3rd April in a general body meeting the workers unanimously decided to send a notice of strike.

The workers have collected signatures and sent to the Secrtary. We have done our utmost to avoid conflict between the workers and Company. But as the Company is bent upon disregarding the most reasonable demands of the workers we are forced to serve a legal notice of strike of 14 days under D. I. Rule 81A on 20th April.

They are getting impatient and the Union has waited enough. We only hope that the management will have better sense and avoid conflict in time. We also request the authorities and public to bring pressure on the Company to concede the just demands of the workers so that the conflict can be avoided and no inconvenience is caused to the public.

J. R. TATA FOR U. S.

Leading Indian Trade Delegation Including G. D. Birla

NEW YORK, April 23. (Reuter): J. R. Tata of Tata Iron and Steel Works is expected here shortly with a large delegation from New Delhi including Mr. G. D. Birla. There is considerable interest here in the future of Indian trade which is estimated at four thousand million dollars.

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INDIA GOVT.'S STEP-MOTHERLY ATTITUDE TO INDUSTRIES

G. L. Mehta On Need Of Post-War Plan And Unhampered Provision Of Capital Goods

CALCUTTA, April 22.

Speaking in the course of his Presidential remarks in the section on Industry at the All-Bengal Economic Conference, Mr. G. L. Mehta stated that while plans of industrial expansion are being considered, what many industries are anxious about is the problem of preservation of existing industries in the post-war period. War economy and peace economy are intimately interrelated. Other countries have tried through their industrial war effort to lay the foundations for post-war operations that would promote the well-being of their people. While the Government of India have prepared tentative plans and schemes for agriculture, roads, aviation, electricity, education, etc. they have not formulated any such plans for industries nor have they enunciated any definite policy in regard to protection of national industries or declared their policy regarding the role of the State in industry. This has tended to handicap the formulation of their own plans by industrialists either for establishment or expansion of industries. Existing industries have been handicapped owing to difficulties in regard to raw materials, fuel and transport, while acquisition of capital goods and machinery will be vital for post-war development.

Mr. Mehta also stressed the need of a geological survey and of a national mineral policy. He urged the development of power and inland transport industries in Bengal. The basic principles of conservation and decentralisation of industries should be recognised for social as well as strategic reasons. Regional planning of industries was essential to prevent excessive concentration in particular areas as well as to ensure an equitable distribution of wealth as between different areas in a country and raise the living standards as widely as possible. No adequate data was however available about the industrial advantages offered by different regions. Mr. Mehta also stated that it was true that technical skill and capital goods might have to be imported from abroad but this must be a voluntary arrangement in mutual interest and not a matter of dictation by powerful interests or a price for repatriation of sterling debt.

The provision of technical skill and capital goods cannot and should not be made conditional on collaboration between Indian and non-Indian interests as such compulsion would militate against the fiscal autonomy of the country and be prejudicial to national economic development.

Mr. Mehta stressed that industry on its part had obligations as a social unit to the consumer, to labour and to other industries and services. Public interest and social welfare should be the ultimate criterion of economic and industrial activity.

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They hereby take this opportunity to request them to soon forward their applications to the Trust Office before the 5th June 1945. Old scholars are also requested to forward their applications for the new year immediately.

TWO CEYLONESE CONVICTED

BOMBAY, April 23 (A.P.I.): Two Ceylonese alleged to be members of the Fourth International founded by Trotsky were convicted and sentenced by the resident Magistrate of Andheri on a charge of being in possession of prejudicial literature.

It is stated that both the accused are wanted by the Ceylon Government in connection with certain political offences.

One of the accused, Mr. A. T. S. D'Souza, is described as a lecturer in a Colombo College. The suspects were arrested by the Bombay C.I.D. on March 13.

Cholera Cases In Dahanu

(From Our Correspondent)

DAHANU, April 23.

Two cases of cholera were reported in Dahanu. Both proved fatal. Impending fairs at Mahalaxmi and Agar are likely to be banned.

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Agricultural Debt Relief

Concession To Defence Services

The Bombay Agricultural Debtors Relief (Amendment) Act of 1945, having received the assent of the Governor-General, is published in the "Bombay Government Gazette" of April 21.

In August, 1943, the Government of Bombay appointed a Committee to inquire into the working of the Bombay Agricultural Debtors Relief Act, 1939, with a view to ascertain the defects which obstruct the smooth working of the Act and the measure to be taken for remedying those defects, and to suggest measures for simplifying the procedure of debt adjustment and to provide for a large-scale and speedy composition of agricultural debts. The present Act is intended to give effect to the recommendations of the Commit.ee accepted by the Government.

Provision is also being made to safeguard the interest of debtors who are temporarily engaged in any of the Defence Services. They are being exempted from personal cultivation of land if they had been cultivating the land personally at the commencement of the first of the two cultivating seasons immediately preceding the date of the establishment of the Board or the date of joining the Defence Services. It is also proposed to exclude their income from service for the purpose of calculating income from sources other than agriculture and manual labour. Provision is also being made to enable such of them as cannot appear before the Board on account of war conditions to appoint agents appear and conduct the proceedings before the Boards on their behalf.

THE BOMBAY COTTON MERCHANTS & MUCCADUMS ASSOCIATION, LTD.

At an Ordinary General Meeting of the Bombay Cotton Merchants and Muccadums Association, Ltd. held on Saturday last, Sheth Bhavanji Arjan Khimji presiding, after the adoption of the report and the annual accounts, the following were re-elected office bearers: Sheth Bhavanji Arjan Khimji, President; Sheth Purshotamdas Harkisondas, vice-President; Sheth Hansraj Jivandas , Hon. Secretary.

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Hightide: 11-36, 23-42
Lowtide 5-57, 17-22

To-day's Engagements

ROTARY CLUB: Weekly Luncheon Meeting today at 1.30 p.m—Green's Hotel. Rotarian E A Nadirshah, will speak on "The position of Bombay's Water Supply."

"BOMBAY ANDHRA MAHASABHA: Today's programme: 9 p.m: popular dances and Vocal Music" "by Miss K Ponnammal of Guruvayur and K Dorsi Mridangam".

S. I. BHAJANA SAMAJ MATUNGA: Harikatha Kalakshepam on "Draupati Manasamrakshanam" by Br Sri M Thirumali Bhagavathar at 9 p.m.

EDUCATIONAL FILMS SHOW
The students of Esplanade High School (Fort), Esplanade Middle School (Kalbadevi) and New Esplanade Primary School (Bohra Bazar) will be shown educational films on (Wednesday the 25th inst. at 10 a.m in the Majestic Cinema Theatre. Parents and past-students are invited.

GATHA SOCIETY: Mr S N Kanga will deliver a lecture on "The Exposition of Atash Nyarsh" today (Tuesday) at 6 p.m at Cama Oriental Institute.

DIGHE'S NOVEL WINS PRIZE
The University of Bombay has announce that the "Dadoba Pandurang Turkhudkar" Prize of the cash value of Rs 240 for the best book in Marathi for the year 1944 has been awarded to Mr R W Dighe B A for his novel entitled "Sarahi". This is the second time that Mr Dighe has won the abovementioned Prize.

ALL-INDIA WOMEN'S CONFERENCE. DADAR-MATUNGA BRANCH: New Office-Bearers are; President: Mrs Prabhavati Gupte; Vice-Presidents', Mrs Krishinabai Joshi; Treasurers Mrs Nirmala Mokashi and Mrs Tarabai Apte; Hon. Secretaries. Mrs Manorama Chaphekar and Mrs Malti Khale.

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY WOMEN'S COUNCIL
Members of the Bombay Presidency Women's Council wishing to visit the Kasturba Gandhi National Memorial Fund Training Camp at Borivli are requested to get into touch with the Hon. Secretary at the office between 11 and 1-30 p.m, for further details. Arrangements for a visit have been made on Thursday the 26th April 1945.

BOMBAY COTTON MERCHANTS & MUCCADAMS ASSN., LTD.—The following were re-elected Office-bearers of the Managing Committee:—Sheth Bhavanji Arjan Khimji (President), Sheth Purshotamdas Harkisondas (Vice-President), Seth Hansraj Jivandas (Hon. Secretary).

TELEGRAPH NOTIFICATION
With immediate effect telegraphic communication with Roumania opened but restricted to (a) British Empire ,U.S.A. and USSR Government telegrams in code cypher or any plain language, (b) All other Government telegrams in plain English or French only, (c) Private and commercial telegrams in plain English or French only, (d) Commercial codes not permitted, (e) Commercial telegrams confined to those ascertaining facts or exchanging information, (f) Press telegrams deferred letter and R. P. telegrams not permitted, rates as notified in guide.

ARMY OFFICER'S STOLEN CAR RECOVERED
The Bombay City Police have recovered the car belonging to General Alban, which was alleged to have been stolen by his driver Allimiya Husseinmiya from the Museum on Saturday last.

The vehicle was found abandoned on Supari Baug Road, the next day. It was ordered to be returned to the owner by Mr. R. Mathalone, Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Police Court, to-day.

The driver of the car is still absconding.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

BOMBAY—1.
244 m. (1231 kc/s)—8-0 a.m. News (H). 8-15 News (E). 8.30 P. S. Dixit. 8-45 Flute. 8.50 News (M). 9.0 News (G). 9-15 Ghazals. 9.30 Saraswatibai Faterpekar.

12.30 p.m. Marathi Songs. 12-45 News (M). 12.50 News (G). 12-55 News (H). 1-0 Music from Film. 1.30 News (E). 1-40 Music. 2.30 Break for Lunch. 4.20 D. V. Deodhar. 4-40 Gangabai Rao. 4-45 Gauri. 5-0 Searchlight on Japan. (G). 5-15 Sardar Mansur. 5.35 Chorus. 5.45 Topical Talk. 5.55 Locals. 6-0 Saraswatibai Faterpekar. 6-30 News (E). 6-40 News (H). 6.45 Matter of Moment. 6.50 D. V. Deodhar. 7-0 Marathi books Review (M). 7.15 Gangabai Rao. 7-30 Natvarlal Nayak. 7.45 Sardar Mansur. 8-0 Air Quartet. 8.15 News (M). 8.30 News (G). 8-45 P. S. Dixit. 9.0 News (H). 9-20 News (E). 9-30 B. B. C. News. 9.45 Spotlight on. News (E). 10-0 Julia Wortmann. 10.10 Interlude. 10.20 C. P. Bramble. 10-30 Interlude. 10.40 Emmi Marcus: Pianoforte.

CORPORATION DISCUSSES CLOTH SCARCITY

Hardships caused by the present cloth situation were discussed at a meeting of the Bombay Municipal Corporation, on Monday. Dr. Alban D'Souza, the Mayor, was in the chair.

Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas moved the following resolution:

"That His Worship the Mayor be requested to invite the attention of Government to the very great hardship that the public is experiencing on account of the difficulty in obtaining their requirements in clothing and particularly to the further hardship that will be caused as a result of Government orders restricting the supply of the family to only one pair of Dhoties and only one pair of Sarees to be obtained once in six months against the ration card of respective male and female head of the family, ignoring entirely the requirements of the other adult members of the family and to request Government to take suitable measures so as to make adequate supply of clothing available to the public at economic prices at an early date."

"The meeting further requests Government not to embark upon schemes of rationing of cloth without consulting the Bombay Cloth Advisory Committee and other public bodies like the Corporation."

Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas said that in the state of affairs in which the Black-Marketing Company, unlimited, flourished, the joint partners were the Government, the cloth-producers and dealers. Cloth was still going into the black-markets to such an extent that if it was made available, it could clothe the citizens of the city for at least two years. The lenient treatment meted out to those found guilty of black-marketing would not discourage the anti-social elements in that trade. He pleaded for a better encouragement of Khadi and proper association of representatives of people in any policy which Government might undertake.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Motichand Kapadia.

MIRAJKAR'S AMENDMENT
Mr. G. G. Mirajkar, then moved the following amendment:

"In order to solve the cloth crisis the Corporation suggest to the authorities concerned to take recourse to the following measures immediately:

(1) The Government should import cloth from outside for their defence purposes.

(2) All export of cloth be stopped forthwith.

(3) Every measure be adopted for increasing the output of cloth, including introduction of multiple shifts.

(4) Workers' reasonable demands for adequate bonus and dearness allowance be granted so as to enthuse them to make maximum effort for increased production of cloth and yarn.

(5) Innumerable and various sorts of cloth now being produced should be restricted to necessary sorts of cloth

(6) Strict measures be taken against the black marketeers of cloth and yarn. The present Textile Control Board be reconstituted with larger representation to the consumers.

(7) Rationing of cloth be introduced immediately and prices of cloth be brought down so as to be within the means of common people."

Mr. M. N. Talpade seconded the amendment.

Mr. Ramdeo Podar put the whole matter in a nutshell by itemizing the reasons into the following broad heads:

(a) Exports, (b) smuggling across the land and sea frontiers of India, (c) shortage of raw materials. mill stores etc., (d) shortage of coal and fuel, (e) shortage of labour and its unwillingness to work longer hours, (f) defective transport arrangement, (g) war supplies, (h) greater civilian demand and (i) inefficient system of distribution existing in provinces.

ADDRESSED TO WRONG QUARTERS
Mr. Jamnadas Mehta thought that the resolution was alright but it was addressed to wrong quarters. It should have been addressed to the millowners and to the cloth dealers. If a commission was appointed to inquire into the cloth situation for the last five years, everyone would have to shed tears. The trader had proved himself triumphant. Government had been beaten hollow and he thought that Government was more sinned against than sinning.

Mr. Gordhandas Morarjee said that demand for cloth had increased, due to the fact that the purchasing power had risen. But it was only one of the causes.

Further discussion was adjourned.

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from Government and he was confident that steps should be taken to enlarge the scope of the work already begun by the Model Industrial School.

Earlier, Mr. Rajadhikshe in the course of his welcome address, referred to the origin of the school which, he said, had now on its roll about 100 students. The ideal they followed, he added, was to give a vocational bias to education. He was glad to find that following the Model School about 25 high-schools had now started handicraft courses of their own.

The exhibition displays various handmade articles designed by the students of the school.

BOMBAY UNITED SERVICES V. DHYAN CHAND'S XI
The following will represent the Bombay United Services XI vs. Dhyan Chand's XI on the Bombay Gymkhana Ground at 1800 hrs., on Tuesday, 24th April.

Turner (Bombay Bty.); Alexander (RIN Police) and McKelvie (Bombay Bty); Proudfoot (Bombay Bty); Middlecoat (RIN Police), Nassim (RIN); Prem Prakash RIN Police: Gardner (Capt.) (Embarkation); O'Connor (Bombay Bty), Murti (RIN); McMurray (RIN Police).

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WAR SERVICES EXHIBITION AT SHOLAPUR
SHOLAPUR, April 21 (A.P.I.)—The war services exhibition was opened here today by Major-General Lomax who explained to the large audience how such exhibitions enabled the relatives and friends of India's fighting soldiers, sailors and airmen to understand and see for themselves what kind of machinery and fighting equipment was handled by their men at the various fronts and how they were trained to fight and bring victory.

In the morning a procession of tanks, armoured cars, guns and other fighting vehicles passed through the streets.

PROMINENT BOMBAY PHYSICAL CULTURIST DEAD

T. V. Narayan Trained Hundreds Of Young Men

The death occurred prematurely on Wednesday last at Chittur-Cochin at the age of 40 of Mr. T. V. Narayan, Director Modern Health Home, Matunga, and Founder and Patron of the Matunga Athletic Club.

He was a Pioneer in the field of physical culture education and had wonderful organising capacity. The fame of his institution spread far and wide.

There are hundreds of youngmen from all walks of life, classes and communities coming for daily exercises at his institution. He was a good athlete too.

His death is a great and irreparable loss to physical culcur.sts.

TAUNTON COMMENDS WARDHA SCHEME

Exhibition At Modern Industrial School

Declaring open the industrial exhibition of the Modern Industrial School at the Prarthana Samaj Hall on Monday evening, Mr. I. H. Taunton, Adviser to the Governor of Bombay, referred to the emphasis laid by the Wardha Scheme on the industrial and practical aspects of education, and said that the pioneering work done by Mr. Rajadhikshe the superintendent of the School was a step towards that method of education. Mr. Taunton further observed that this sort of industrial training deserved encouragement.

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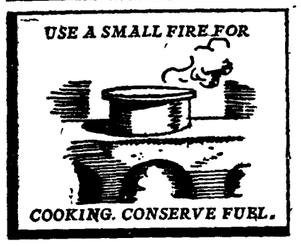

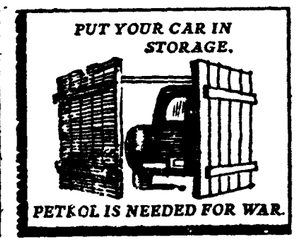

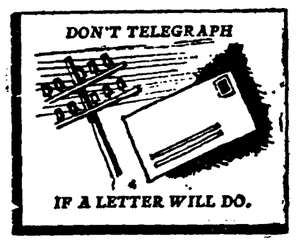

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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, April 23

The following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at eight hours I.M.T. on April 20, 1945:

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A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

To renounce one's liberty is to renounce one's quality as a man, the rights and also duties of humanity . . . . . Such a renunciation is incompatible with man's nature, for to take away all freedom from his will is to take away all morality from his actions.

—Rousseau.

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FAIRER WORDS

The speech of Lord Listowel, Under-Secretary of State for India, at the Youth Conference at Peterborough is a more earnest plea for speedy freedom for India than we have heard from India Office officials for several years past. It is critical of the traditional policy of Britain to make vague promises to India and of doing little or nothing to fulfil them. It warns, for instance, that "promises of future benefits, sincere as we know them to be, are so many empty formulae, as void of practical effect as the Abracadabra of a stage magician." Similarly, pointing out the dangers of delay in this matter, Lord Listowel says that if "the devolution of the last vestige of power from Britain to India" is not conceded "as soon as is humanly possible," any "unreasonable delay in granting essentials of self-government would poison our relations with India for many generations to come." These are certainly eloquent words. But Lord Listowel himself has realised that India has become "increasingly sceptical about pious intentions and more and more inclined to judge us by what we actually do to practise what we preach" and that "proof of our sincerity will be the final transfer of power." Yet there is no sign of anything being done or about to be done "to practice what we preach".

Nor is there anything more definite in Lord Listowel's speech about the transfer of "the essentials of self-government" or about its time than in the speeches of Mr. Amery. Not much is gained practically by the addition of the word "humanly" to the phrase "as soon as is possible." Like Mr. Amery, Lord Listowel, too, makes the transfer of power conditional on an agreement among Indians, carefully refraining from making it clear which definitely are the parties whose agreement will be accepted by Britain in toto. And the cruellest and most exasperating joke these British politicians are indulging is that, while insisting on agreement among parties, the leaders of the biggest party are still kept in jail and prevented from being interviewed by other leaders, even by Gandhiji. It is no wonder, therefore, that the relations between India and Britain are now more poisoned than they were ever before and that many Indians do not even believe in the "bona fides" of the British offers of power. The Frontier Political Conference has voiced the feeling in the whole country by adopting a resolution demanding that "as a first immediate step towards Indian freedom all the national workers now in prison be forthwith released and a National Government be set up in the centre responsible to the Central Legislature." India will regulate her attitude towards Britain by what she gets now at this critical hour rather than by what is promised to her some time in the future.

An Essential Cottage Industry

The opening last week of a leather industries exhibition under the auspices of the All-India Village Industries Association is a timely reminder to those interested in economic planning of the important place which the tanning and leather industries occupy in rural India. With its immense cattle population, India is naturally the largest producer of hides and skins. Unfortunately the handling of this valuable material has been consigned to the care of the most down-trodden among the community. The trade in these raw materials as well as the industry based on them has been looked upon as an undignified calling by Hindu society in general. The Sarvodya Mandir of Tarvadi, the Goseva Charmalayas at Dapoli in Ratnagiri District and at Nalvadi near Wardha and the tanning institute of Dr. Satish Chandra Das Gupta in Calcutta are only exceptions to this general attitude. Even if this outlook undergoes a change it will be little to the advantage of the sections of Harijans engaged in the trade and industry in rural areas if the raw material is transported for tanning, processing, manufacture and finishing to central tanneries and leather works located in towns and cities. Such concentration of the industry may result only in the creation of slums such as we have in our midst, for instance, at Dharavi in Bombay.

In their Plan of Economic Development for India Sir Purshotamdas Thakurdas and his colleagues favour the production of various consumers' goods though cottage industries. They have not indicated, however, the types of consumers' goods they have in mind in this connection. Is not the tanning of hides and skins on improved lines and the manufacture of footwear and other leather goods essentially suitable for development on a cottage industry basis? Undoubtedly, for this development will be needed technical advice, finance for the introduction of improved tools and processes, arrangements for marketing the finished goods and the requisite business organization for all these purposes. The experience of the pioneer efforts of the workers and institutes referred to above goes to show that efficient production is compatible with decentralized working and is preferable inasmuch as it adds to the wealth of the countryside. With our exports of hides and skins running into tens of crores the reorganization of the trade and industry should be one of the first items in a plan of ordered development. The State should certainly interest itself in drawing up and working out such a plan; but failing it, will it be too much to expect others interested in planning to devote some attention to this, one of our basic industries?

Frankly Speaking

The Bavarian "Redoubt"

The two great victories in this the greatest of all wars, namely, the fall of Berlin and the link-up of the Allies, are now a matter of hours. They will, as we have said before, constitute the dawn of the day of Victory over Nazi Germany. All will, of course, not be over then. Hitler and his lieutenants have been preparing what they call their Bavarian "Redoubt". In that big mountaineous "pocket" there are, according to a report, already assembled 100 German divisions Numerically this sounds impressive. But of what avail will they be? Beyond the reserves, the Nazis may have accumulated, they will have no resources to support civil life and military activities. These reserves too are not unlimited and, moreover, Allied air might, concentrated on a limited target, will destroy a great proportion of them. Finally, 100 divisions, desperate but already well beaten, cannot do battle for long with three or four times as many Allied divisions and Allied resources. In fact, one American Army, the Seventh, is already inside the so-called "Redoubt", having driven to within 50 miles of Munich.

Polish Development

M. Molotov has arrived in Washington and the "Big Three" Foreign Ministers have started their very important talks. In the meantime, however, the rumour has formally materialised that the Soviet Government and the Provisional Polish Government have signed "a treaty of friendship, mutual assistance and post-war collaboration." This has been interpreted as a 'fait accompli' with which Russia proposes to face the United States and Great Britain in the matter of Polish recognition. If it is actually a 'fait accompli' and America and Britain must take it or leave it, then a great blow has already been struck at San Francisco and the future World Organisation. It is to be earnestly hoped, however, that even at this eleventh hour the three Foreign Ministers, realising the gravity of the situation, will yet try in a spirit of compromise, to achieve a satisfactory solution of this important problem.

The Chinese Situation

The Moscow journal "The War and the Working Class" seems to have come out with an interesting article on colonies, democracy and the Chinese situation. It has been rather inadequately reported, but the paper is right on both the points that it has raised and discussed. Even the best friends of Chungking are extremely unhappy over the Yenan-Chungking deadlock and cannot help feeling that there do exist some "influential elements" who are trying to pull Marshal Chiang kai-Shek's regime in a direction that does not lead to the goal of Chinese unity and the future well-being and prosperity of that great and ancient country. It is also true that China urgently needs radical demonstration of not only the political but also of the economics and social life of China. It is reported, however, that the American Ambassador to Chungking is, with the approval and support of the Big Three, making an effort to solve the Yenan-Chungking deadlock, after which the rest will not be so difficult. Let us hope he succeeds.

A Moscow Challenge

Only two sentences have been quoted as regards the more interesting point made by "The War and the Working Class". They run thus: "In the colonial countries, where a considerable part of the population of the globe live, there is not even a smell of democracy. People who speak out as supporters of democracy should direct their efforts in that directions." We welcome the Moscow paper's challenge to people who call themselves lovers and champions of freedom and democracy. As the present position is, the victors in this world war, or at any rate, the Empire-wallahs among them, want a future in which half the world would dominate the other half. They regard colonies as so exclusively their Imperialist possession that they propose to ban even a discussion of such essentially democratic matters as the future of colonies and their rights, at the San Francisco Conference. May we take it that after this challenge in the name of democracy by the Moscow journal at least the Russian Delegation will take up the cause of the colonies at the World Security Conference?

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Farm life is the only life—in novels.

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Those you ridicule may forgive, but they never forget.

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The easier it is to get a man to talk the harder it is to get him to quit.

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A man may save money, but he need not hope to be saved by money.

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It may be all right for a woman to marry in haste and repent at leisure, but a married man has no leisure.

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A woman hates to acquire her first gray hair almost as badly as a man dislikes to part with his last one.

A Contradiction

In the issue of the "Bombay Chronicle" dated 19th April 1945, a report appeared on page 6, stating that a Telephone Worker who was a Congress man was waylaid and beaten by a Communist. We want to point out that this report is absolutely false and mischievous.

D. S. VAIDYA,
Secretary Bombay Committee,
Communist Party of India.

Hume Memorial Church Affairs

In your valuable paper last week appeared a letter from some one who hid his identity under the pseudonym of 'A Church Member' and gave a distorted version of an incident which had occurred the previous Sunday.

The facts are that the Hume Memorial Church is not an "independent" church, but is part of the United Church of Northern India and is under the authority of the Bombay Church Council of the United Church. (This Church Council, I may state, contains an overwhelming majority of Indian members). The pastor of the Hume Memorial Church, the Rev. K. L. Shinde, was ordained as Minister and installed as pastor of the Church by the Bombay Church Council and he is, therefore, under the authority and discipline of that Council.

Ever since Mr. Shinde's appointment as pastor of the H. M. Church the congregational affairs have been in a mess. Complaints regarding neglect of his pastoral duties by Mr. Shinde and the mismanagement of congregational affairs in general have of late become so serious that the Bombay Church Council have suspended Mr. Shinde from his pastoral duties, pending investigation of the complaints by a special Commission, and have appointed Mr. G. Ross Thomas as Moderator of the Church to take charge of the congregational affairs meantime.

The statement of 'A Church Member' that Mr. Thomas 'disturbed the divine service' in the H. M. Church on Sunday, 8th April is absolutely false. What actually happened was that before the service Mr. Shinde had even ascended the pulpit to commence the service, Mr. Thomas asked him to comply with the orders of the Church Council and hand over charge to him. This Mr. Shinde refused to do, whereupon Mr. Thomas, in order to avoid any kind of disturbance, quietly withdrew.

Rev. K. L. Shinde will no doubt in due course reap the consequences of this defiance of Church Council authority. What I wish to point out here is that "A Church Member" is merely trying to throw dust into the eyes of the public by trying to make out that those who do not agree with Mr. Shinde are "Mission-minded people" whose aim is to bring Indian Churches under the domination of Foreign Missions and Missionaries. As a matter of fact, among those who are disgusted at the manner in which Mr. Shinde is conducting congregational affairs and are supporting the authority of the Bombay Church Council are several prominent members of the Nationalist Christian Party who stand for a broad nationalist outlook both in political as well as in Church affairs, and who would never be a party to any action calculated to establish foreign domination over Indian Church affairs.

J. S. S. MALELU.

Tax On Agricultural Incomes

The present is hardly the time for initiating a tax on agricultural incomes. Persons, both outside and inside the country, have never been tired of calling ours a predominantly agricultural country and some of these would even wish that it should continue to be so. Both the Government and many organizaions in the country are just now busy with what is termed "Post-War Planning" and in this both agriculture and rural development rightly find a prominent place. It is well-known that in many crops our yields are near the lowest in the world. It is obvious that increase in our yields at the earliest possible moment is the most urgent problem for the country, particularly in view of the rapid rate at which our population is increasing. While on basic considerations no one can reasonably object to the higher agricultural incomes being taxed like those from other sources, the problem will need to be viewed from a variety of view points before a safe decision in the matter can be taken. Ours is a land of small and scattered holdings and this circumstance is widely admitted to be a serious handicap to a rapid and large scale increase in agricultural yields. In this regard the larger land-owning classes might play a useful role in future planning. Secondly, such a tax is best initiated by a Government which is of the people, is in close day to day touch with them and knows full their joys, sorrows and difficulties.

(Sir) T. S. VENKATRAMAN.

Hindu Swimming Bath

Since the control of milk and tea, the Cafeteria of the P. M. Hindu Bath and Boat Club has stopped serving ordinary tea at the control rate of one anna a cup and has adopted a novel way ignoring the feelings and plea of many members. They now serve only special tea in tray at a special rate which the members of moderate means cannot afford.

Some of us have drawn the attention of the Bath authorities, but they have not shown the courtesy of even replying to our plea. Besides, the Bath authorities do not care to send their members the copies of audited accounts, etc., which they are bound to do, nor do they care to act according to the clauses of the Trust Deed, as regards profiteering, etc. It is high time that something should be done regarding this.

A MEMBER.

INDIAN PERSONNEL TO 'FRISCO DON'T REPRESENT NATION

Frontier Political Conference Resolutions

PESHAWAR, April 23 (A.P.I.): At its second sitting today, the Frontier Political Conference passed a resolution declaring that the persons chosen by the present Government of India to represent India at the San Francisco Conference and such other conferences were not the true representatives of the Indian people and had no right to represent them at such a world gathering where measures for securing the future peace of the world would be considered.

By another resolution, the Conference strongly condemned the continued bombing on Waziristan and described it as extremely barbaric and uncivilised. And urged the Government to stop the bombing without delay.

Khan Ameer Mohammad Khan, Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, who moved the resolution on bombing, asked the Government not to destroy by bombing the little mud homes and cattle of these tribesmen.

'WAZIRIS WOULD NEVER BE SLAVES'

Pir Shahenshah said that Waziris and other tribesmen had all along been free, and the British would never succeed in subduing them by bombing. Waziris would never be slaves. They were prepared to sacrifice their last man and child to retain their freedom. He asked the Government to desist from this uncivilised method of oppressing the tribesmen in Waziristan.

The Conference passed another resolution, urging the Provincial Government to appoint a committee to report on the industrial, agricultural, mineral and irrigational resources of the Province and to implement the recommendations.

OFFICE ACCEPTANCE

Mahatma To Clarify All-India Position Soon

The Frontier Political Conference ended today after 15 hours' deliberations during a three-day session.

Dr. Syed Mahmud, who presided, winding up the proceedings said that Mahatma Gandhi had been asked repeatedly from various quarters as to why he had allowed the Congress to form a ministry in the North-west Frontier Province and not in the other provinces. Mahatma Gandhi, he understood, had promised a reply to this question soon.

Dr. Mahmud explained how the Congress had to take office in the Frontier Province. Muslims, he said, had been told time and again that they were obstacles in the path of freedom. The Pathans are very self-respecting and freedom-loving. They could not tolerate such allegations. They wanted to show to all-India that not only they want freedom but they want to march shoulder to shoulder with Hindus and others in the battle of freedom and are ready to make all sacrifices. The formation of Ministry though it seems a contradiction in terms is not so.

He added: "Pakistan or no Pakistan, protection of Muslim right on no protection, they considered it their religious and humanitarian duty to free India."

CONCILIATING THE LEAGUE

Dr. Mahmud narrated the various attempts made by the Congress to conciliate the Muslim League and also referred to the Gandhi-Jinnah talks. He said the talks had served one purpose, namely, the Muslim Leaguers had become anxious for a settlement with the Congress. They now realised how far Mahatma Gandhi had gone in conceding the principle of Pakistan as a partition between brothers. He said that the patience of nationalist Muslims including the Congress Muslim Majlis, Ahrars, Jamiat-ul-Ulema-i-Hind and others, who had often been slandered and abused by the Muslim League had been tried. They had kept themselves under restraint in defence to Gandhiji's wishes but the time had come when they would be compelled to tell on the League leadership.

"TOOLS" OF BRITISH GOVT.

Rai Bahadur Mehrchand Khanna moving the resolution on the San Francisco Conference said that Sir Ramaswami Mudaliar and Sir Feroz Khan Noon had no right to represent India at the conference, as in his opinion, they would only serve as tools of the British Government. Only leaders like Maulana Azad and Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru could speak in the name of India at this conference as true representatives of the people.

Referring to Mr. Amery's remarks in the House of Commons on the Frontier Ministry, Mr. Khanna declared that if the national demand was not conceded the Frontier Ministry might even go to the extent of resigning the office. He said that Dr. Khan Sahib was not at all willing to form the Ministry, much less become the Premier, but as a loyal and disciplined soldier of freedom he abided by the party decision and the wishes of the people of the province.

Sheikh Abdullah, the Kashmir leader, said that it was most audicious and unjust on the part of the British Government to send two officers to San Francisco to represent India. They represented none but themselves. He said that Mr. Jinnah lacked the element of freedomship. The time had come when Muslims must freely declare by the beat of drum where he goes wrong and where he is right.

"MARTYRS DAY" IN PESHAWAR

"Martyrs Day" was observed in Peshawar today in memory of those killed 15 years ago in the Peshawar firing.

A long procession of Red Shirts filed past the "Martyrs Monument" in the Qissakhani Bazar. Khaksars with their heads wrapped in the Arab style also paid homage to the dead and joined the procession.

ABDUL GHAFFAR KHAN DOWN WITH FEVER

Ali Gul Khan Has Heart Attack

PESHAWAR, April 23 (A.P.I.): Due to overstrain, Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan had developed fever and is lying in his tent in Fakhar-i-Afghan Nagar where the Frontier Political Conference is being held.

But he has been attending the Conference and meeting visitors, despite medical advice.

Khan Ali Gul Khan, President, of the N.W.F. Provincial Congress Committee, had a heart attack last evening in the Conference pandal. He was immediately removed to hospital, where he is progressing.

TRICOLOUR DISPLACES REDSHIRT FLAG

(From Our Correspondent)

PESHAWAR, April 23: Some very interesting development having great bearing on the future of the Congress organisation in this Province was noticed for the first time at a gathering of this sort. Whereas Redshirt flags were always witnessed in all Congress processions taken out on similar occasions. Before they were quite conspicuous by their absence in the Presidential procession. The Redshirt cantonment and the entire Ahmednagar Town where the Frontier Political Conference were being held were named after the Working Committee detention place. Every Redshirt volunteer was present at he railway platform and accompanied the procession had nothing but the tricolour which was in evidence everywhere in the Nagar Dass Bazar, Enquiry Office, pandal proper, Frontier Gandhi's Camp, Redshirt Headquarters.

Another significant change noticed on the present occasion was the substitution for "Congress Zindabad" and "Hindustanazad" slogans raised by all Redshirt volunteers at the station platform and throughout the procession instead of "Islam Azad" always raised Redshirt processions.

The rigid "military" discipline of Redshirt volunteers provided proof, if any was needed, of the capacity of the future National Army of India to take every situation in Independent India.

Another significant development which was clearly characterise of th e Congress Ministry was that the Ministry ordered withdrawal of precensorship of Press reports of the Conference.

C.I.D. reporters were not present to make reports of the proceedings.

BHULABHAI LEAVES PESHAWAR FOR DELHI

PESHAWAR, April 23 (A.P.I.): Mr. Bhulabhai Desai left for Delhi this morning by the Frontier Mail.

BHULABHAI'S ADVICE TO PESHAWAR BAR

PESHAWAR, April 23 (U.P.I.): Replying to an address of welcome by the local Bar Association Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, Leader of the Opposition in the Central Assembly, said that lawyers true to their tradition must continue to contribute their best in the cause of India's fight for freedom which lay through unity of forty crores of Indians.

"WARDHA OF FRONTIER"

Mr. Bhulabhai Desai in the course of his talk with the Khudai Khidmatgars in the Red Shirt Camp expressed his views that this was the "Wardha of the Frontier."

Kazi Attaullah Khan, Education Minister, presided over the Kavi Darbar in connection with the Political Conference.

TWO PERSONS DEPRIVED OF TITLES

NEW DELHI, April 23 (U P A.

Khan Bahadur Mian Gulam Kadir Muhammad Shaban, member of the Central Legislative Assembly, and land-owner of Sind, has been deprived of the title of Khan Bahadur conferred on him in July, 1940, it is announced.

Rao Saheb Sankalchand Mafatlal Shah lately professor of the Gujerat College, Ahmedabad has also been deprived of his title of Rao Saheb.—United Press.

SAPRU PROPOSALS

(BY M. M. GHAREKHAN)

Being merely a student of Constitutional Law, I could not discuss politics. The parity of seats between caste Hindus and Muslims is a subject of comment by various interests. It is, in a way, a mixed question of Constitution and politics. Party politics have, and naturally, given conflicting verdicts. I am more concerned with the constitutional aspect of it.

Joint electorates take away the wind out of the sails of the evil. Parity of seats is a gift to those who profess no-confidence in the others. Both put together may be claimed to be a best solution of the constitutional impasse. They have been got so well wedded that none could be given up at the expense of the other. I would observe that the basis may be accepted, but the parity of seats should be equitably adjusted. No position could be beyond a solution for human intellect.

QUESTION OF PARITY

The injustice is supposed to be that Muslims could have no seats out of all ppproportion to their population. So also the inequity lies it is contended in a fewer seats to Hindus in proportion to their population. The solution of the situation seems to be; (1) The ultimate sovereignty, rather Suzerainty so far as India in particular is concerned should be completely and effectively vested in the people of India and in none else; and (2) By the recommendation of the Sapru Conciliation Committee say number of seats has been given to Hindus and Muslims combined on the basis of the parity between the two; make three equal divisions of these seats, give one two-third of those seats to Muslims; another one-third to Hindus, and the remaining one-third should be left open to both Muslim and Hindus. The result will be that one one-third of those seats will be reserved for Muslims; the other one-third will remain reserved for Hindus; and the remaining one-third will remove the so-called disparity and will establish the true parity between the two on the basis of the righteousness of the cause on which the elections may be fought. That will, inter alia, introduce the idea of the Nation and Nationhood. Those, who will woo the people best, will get most, no matter whether Muslims or Hindus. The evil of the spread of communalism will be thereby displaced by the prevalence of the confidence of the people. The train, which is so far sidetracked, will be thereby again brought back on the true track. In that event neither will be disparity nor any inequitable parity. On the contrary, the theory of nationhood will strongly develop. The concentration of the candidates will be not on the evil but on the confidence of the electorates. Ultimately the people will be, as ought to, richly benefited and a true democracy will be in real action. It will then be Government of the people, for the people and by the people.

Advisedly I am not referring to the other proposals of the Committee.

"EMULATE EXAMPLE OF BARODA"

Sangli Ruler's Tip To State Co-operative Conference

SANGLI, April 22 (A.P.I.)—The Third Session of the Sangli State Co-operative Conference was held in the Darbar Hall here under the Presidentship of Mr. P. J. Chinmulgund, Registrar of Co-operative Societies, Bombay.

A large number of delegates from several talukas attended. The Rajasaheb of Sangli, inaugurating the Conference, emphasised the need for co-operative effort especially in an agricultural country like India where, owing to the fragmentation of the land, much of individual energy and money was wasted in cultivating small pieces of land.

He recommended the introduction of multi-purpose co-operative societies on the lines of those in the Baroda State and hoped that the improved conditions of the agriculturists in the State would enable them to undertake such new and progressive experiments.

Mr Chinmulgund, in his Presidential address, recommended that all the Deccan States should undertake schemes for post-war reconstruction similar to those of the Government of Bombay.

ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS' ASSOCIATION

The Annual General Meeting of Electrical Contractors' Association, Bombay was held on the 14th instant, when the twentieth annual report and audited statements of accounts of the association for the year ended 31st December, 1944 were adopted unanimously and a new managing committee was formed for the current year 1945-46, who elected the following new office-bearers:—

President: Mr. J. Mayman, Vice-President. Mr. V. G. Motwane, Hon. Secretary: Mr. B. P. Sheth, Hon Treasurer: Mr. G. Charles.

Mr. N. R. Khamati and Mr. V. G. Motvane were elected representatives of the Association on the Licensing Board (Elec. Dept.) P.W.D. Bombay.

PRIVILEGES FOR DR. P. SITARAMAYYA.

MADRAS, April 23 (A.P.I.): Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya, a member of the Congress Working Committee, who is now in Vellore Jail, is given the same privileges as are applicable to other detenus in the Province, it is officially stated today. Classifications of detnus having been abolished in the Province long ago, Dr. Pattabhi is kept along with other detenus and it is stated that the concessions and facilities they have been getting here approximate to those provided to Dr. Pattabhi in Ahmednagar.

HUNGER-STRIKE OF FOUR CONDEMNED

ALLAHABAD, April 22 (O P I).

It is learnt that 4 prisoners sentenced to death and were reported to be on hunger-strike arrived in the Allahabad District Jail.

KARACHI, April 23 (A P I.) Sir Ronald Storrs, has left for Baghdad after six weeks' lecturing tour to the services in India and ALFSEA and Ceylon.

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WITHOUT COMMENT—

The proposed Free World Congress in the U.S., at which the Indian problem and other questions were to have been discussed has been postponed.

—Reuter

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"It is time that India takes responsibility at the Centre"

—Sjt. Bhulabhai Desai.

But hasn't "India" already done so and even exported two of itself to San Francisco?

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Speaking at Hyderabad, Mr. V. V. Giri, said, apropos of the 'Frisco Conference, that he felt that the problem of India was the acid test of British sincerity and that of her Allies.

They are indisputably sincere—in their determination not to touch the problem.

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Doctor P. C. Ghosh protests against Government's action in taking Maulana Aoul Kalam Azad to malarious Bankura and keeping him alone without any companion.

The Central Assembly is not sitting, otherwise Doctor Ghosh would have received an effective and appropriately worded answer from Sir Richard Tottenham.

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The Women's Sub-Committee of the All-India Muslim League has declared that "Muslim women would fight side by side with their men-folk for the attainment of Pakistan."

Good heavens!

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As a part of their industrial policy the Government of India have announced that they propose to take over the development of certain industries as a Central subject.

Muslim League leaders must, in press and through a long cable to Amery and Wavell, denounce this proposal.

And pending the meeting of the League organisation—scheduled for whenever it may be—the Women's Sub-Committee of the League Council should adopt another threatening resolution.

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General Smuts, who has arrived at San Francisco, declares: "Our race has reached the limit of human endurance."

We are relieved to note that he was not referring to the growing nuisance of coloured awakening in South Africa.

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Moscow's "War and the Working Class" finds that "in the colonial countries, where a considerable part of the population of the globe live, there is not even a smell of democracy."

Better late than very late.

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One of the current rumours about Adolph Hitler is that he has married a film actress and is honey mooning in his Bavarian "Redoubt."

This is undoubtedly an improvement on Nero.

Americans Land On Sesoko Island

Capture 2 More Philipino Cabinet Members Near Baguio

GUAM, April 22. (Reuter): Admiral Nimitz communique reports that elements of the American 24th Corps have occupied Binare Island, east of Okinawa on the north of Nakagusuku Bay yesterday and also landed on Sesoko Island, one mile west of the Motobu peninsula.

MANILA: General MacArthur's communique announces that two additional members of the Philippine Cabinet accused of collaboration have been captured near Baguio. They are Claro M. Recto, Minister of Foreign affairs and Rafale Alunan, Minister for Agriculture.

"No substantial changes" in the front line on the Southern Okinawa front because of very bitter Japanese resistance.

American infantry continued to make headway towards Davao along the highway and the valley of Mindano river on the Mindano Island.

JAP SHIPPING LOSSES OFF FORMOSA.

Eight thousand tons of transport and four other vessels were sunk or damaged off Formosa and a 7,620 ton freighter transport was wrecked in a raid on Saigon and French Indo China.

One hundred thirty tons of bombs were dropped on targets in Northern Borneo.

Australian ground forces killed additional 1,214 Japanese troops on Bougainville, New Guinea and New Britain.

AMERICANS TAKE FORT PIKIT.

Regarding progress on the Mindanao, the 'communique' reports that pushing eastwards from the Moro Gulf coast, Americans have taken Fort Pikit an important road junction on the road to Kabacan cutting the former Japanese supply route northwest from the Cotabato valley to the Moro Gulf.

In north Luzon Americans investing Baguio, the Summer capital have captured more high ground overlooking the city.

On April 19th considerable force of Australian manned liberators bombed Japanese installations at Tarakao and Tawao in Borneo.

PETAIN'S TRIAL ON MAY 17

PARIS, April 23 (Reuter): Marshal Petain has been summoned before the French High Court of Justice. His trial will open on May 17.

BOKHARI BACK IN DELHI

NEW DELHI, April 23 (A P I). Prof A S Bokhari Director-General, All India Radio, who attended the International Broadcasting Conference in London, has returned to Delhi.

Exodus In Full Swing

Berlin To Be Engulfed In 24 Hours

STOCKHOLM, April 22. (Reuter): "The whole of Berlin will be engulfed within 24 hours," says the Berlin correspondent of the German controlled Scandinavian Telegraph Agency.

An earlier message says:—

Russian forces are approaching the Tempelhof airfield and since dawn on Sunday there has been machine-gun fire in the area of the railway terminus from Stettino, only one mile from Unter Den Linden, he added.

The Mobait area of Berlin which lies in the western part of the city north of the zoo is under artillery fire.

Exodus In Full Swing

Exodus from the city has reached enormous proportions. The only escape route left is a six mile wide corridor leading westwards.

MOSCOW: The German Command has proclaimed total mobilization of all men in Berlin, between the ages of 15 and 65, reports the supplement to the Soviet 'communique".

ALL THE GERMAN CAPITAL'S ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS ARE NOW ALSO BEING USED AS ANTI-TANK GUNS.

ALL THE TROOPS AT THE DISPOSAL OF THE GERMAN HIGH COMMAND HAVE BEEN THROWN INTO THE BATTLE TO BAR THE WAY OF THE RED ARMY.

BERLIN MILITARY COLLEGES AND ACADEMIES HAVE BEEN CLOSED AND STUDENTS AND STAFF SENT TO THE FRONT-LINE.

Stone and brick barricades in Berlin suburban streets are being smashed by Soviet artillery fire while Red-Army infantry are clearing the Germans from fortified buildings.

In the suburbs of Weissensee, the Russians have captured a number of industrial plants converted into strong points and are fighting in the area of Ringbahn —Berlin's circular railway.

REDS CAPTURE 23,000 PRISONERS

MOSCOW: A Soviet "communique" to-night reported that Soviet troops have captured five towns in the Berlin area including Friedrichaften and 14 suburbs of Berlin itself.

Between April 17th and 18th in this area Russians took more than 13,000 prisoners and captured 60 planes, more than hundred tanks and self propelled guns and more than 500 guns.

In the Dresden area Russians have occupied a number of places including Finsterwalde and Bischofswerder and took more than 10,000 prisoners.

Nazis Quit Northern Germany

LONDON, April 23: Well over 100 German Divisions are now known to have concentrated in the Nazis' southern redoubt, says the "Daily Express" war correspondent on the British front, Alan Moorhead in a dispatch published to-day.

"That is to say," he writes "that the bulk of the remaining German Army has already abandoned Northern Germany and the Berlin corridor between the Anglo-American and Russian Armies has ceased to be a real military issue."

With the United States 7th Army: American tanks are now 30 miles from the Danube with the capture of Ellwangen, 15 miles south of Crailsheim cables Reuter's correspondent with the United States 7th Army.

HITLER RECOMMENDS INFILTRATION TACTICS

Hitler in his latest Order of the Day, issued to every German soldier on the Western Front, says "Only attacks against the enemy's flank and rear can guarantee success." Admitting that the situation is "unfavourable", Hitler recommends infiltration tactics against Allied lines by small groups of men to attack sensitively weak spots and adds, "We have to adopt the same method which has been shown and taught us by the Russians in 1942 to 1944."

A British officer to-day described the orders as marking "the end of organised warfare and beginning of guerilla tactics."

Bremen Defenders Refuse To Surrender

OUTSIDE BREMEN, April 23 (Reuter): A hundred thousand leaflets, prepared by General Dempsey's staff, were fired into Bremen on Friday night, giving the port 24 hours in which to surrender. The gist of the leaflets was "we are going to take Bremen anyhow. You can save useless bloodshed by surrendering now."

For 24 hours Allied guns remained silent then a rain of shells and bombs started the process of annihilation.

Yesterday another surrender call was made. A Dutchman and a German refugee were instructed by a British captain to ring up the Bremen station master. "You must pass message on to the garrison command", they told him. "Tell him that Bremen will be systematically obliterated unless he surrenders."

"Hold the line while I speak to the garrison commander on another telephone", replied the station master, but while they were holding on bombers came over and the line went dead. No doubt it was cut by a bomb.

GERMAN CENSORS DISAPPEAR

STOCKHOLM, April 23 (U.P.A.): Censorship in Berlin ended on Saturday night, Swedish newspaper correspondents reported, asserting that the censors simply disappeared.

For the first time in years Swedish correspondents managed to telephone through messages without first submitting copy to a censor who listened in on all conversations.

Labour Amendment For Indian Independence

World Youth Conference To Debate Racial And Colonial Question

BLACKPOOL, April 23 (Reuter): The British Labour Party's annual conference to be held here next Monday is to consider an amendment calling for the immediate granting of complete independence to the people of India.

The amendment follows a motion to be submitted by the Socialist Medical Association in these words: "This conference views with the greatest concern the health record of India, both as regards epidemics and deaths from causes attributable to dietary and other social factors; it urges provision of adequate medical services and more attention to the prevention of disease and demands an adequate nutritional policy for India."

The amendment which is to be submitted by the Sowerby branch states, "To enable these reforms to be put into operation this conference urges His Majesty's Government to grant now complete independence to the people of India".

WORLD YOUTH CONFERENCE

LONDON, April 23 (U P A.) The status of India and other "semi-colonial" nations will be debated at the World Youth Conference provisionally scheduled to be held here from August 29 to September 6, it was announced today.

Invitations to the conference have been sent to youth organizations in all freedom-loving countries, a statement said.

The youth of India and the colonies have been invited to express their views on questions of racialism, religious persecution and the dominion, colonial and semi-colonial systems. India has been asked to send 25 delegates, 10 of whom are expected to come from India. The remaining 15 will be chosen from Indian students now resident in Britain. The Federation of Indian Students of Britain and Eire will act as a liaison organization between India and the organizers of the conference.

Protection Claims For Indutsrles

NEW DELHI, April 23 A P I.)

A Press 'communique' says:—In a statement on industrial policy issued by the Government of India today it was announced that Government would be prepared to consider claims from wartime industries which are established on sound lines to assistance or protection during the transition period. It is now published for general information that claims to assistance or protection in terms of this announcement should be addressed to the Secretary to the Government of India in the Department of Commerce.

PLAN FOR PACIFIC UNION

Philippines Commissioner's Plea To Include India

SAN FRANCISCO, April 23 (Reuter): A plan for a Pacific Union—with India as one of the members—for defence and economic and political co-operation as part of the United Nations' security system was outlined here today by the Commissioner for the Philippines, Brig. Gen. Carlos Romulo.

Brig. Gen. Romulo said that the Union would fit in with the Dumbarton Oaks provision for regional agreements within the main security plan.

He proposed that the union should include Australia, New Zealand, Canada, China, Malay, Indonesia, Oceania the Philippines, Mexico and the United States and South American countries facing the Pacific Ocean.

Yeshwantrao Powar Released

POONA April 23 (A P I).

Mr Yeshwantrao Powar, President of the Satara District Congress Committee and Karad correspondent of the Daily "Sakal" was released yesterday from the Satara jail. Mr Powar had been arrested by the Satara police under D I R 129 while accompanying a party of journalists from Bombay and Poona who were touring some villages in the South Satara District to investigate into some local complaints and alleged high-handedness.

CLOSING THE BOOK

TEMPLE DACOITY

M. L. A. Taken Into Custody

POONA, April 23. (U.P.I): An armed dacoity was committed in the temple of Tukai, a village goddess of Kondhanpur at the foot of the Sinhagar, and some valuable ornaments of the deity were removed. It is stated that the dacoits who were numbering half a dozen and dressed in European style, reached the temple in a touring car and scared away the persons in the temple by firing pistol shots in the air.

It is reported that Mr. Atmaram Patil, M.L.A., (South Satara) and four others have been taken into custody on suspicion.

Tojo Calls

CONFERENCE OF JAP AMBASSADORS

LONDON, April 23 (A.P.I.): The Japanese News Agency today quoted the Japanese Foreign Minister, Shigenori Togo, as saying to a conference of "Ambasadors" of Manchuria, China, Burma, Siam and the Philippines that "the war situaton today is extremely grave."

He added: "We possess both confidence and strength to ensure for ourselves a decisive victory. In the present circumstances, the Japanese are overcoming every difficulty and are going forward with the task of replenishing their fighting strength and reinforcing national defence."

Japs Retake Okinawa Town

GUAM, Monday (Reuter): Japanese troops infiltrating under cover of darkness this morning recaptured Kakatiu, town in Western Okinawa.

ALLIES ENTER MODENA

LONDON, April 23 (Reuter): Rome radio today reports that Allied troops have entered Modena, an Italian city north-west of Bologna, on the main railway from Milan.

Kripalani, Sind Govt.'s Special Guest

KARACHI, April 23 (A P I.)

It is reliably learnt that the Home Minister, K B Mir Ghulam Ali Khan, met Acharya Kripalani in the jail and discussed with him the question of extending him the facilities that were given to him while at Ahmednagar.

Acharya Kripalani who has been placed in a special class has been afforded all the facilities which he enjoyed at Ahmednagar. He will receive newspapers, his daily post and has been also given his gramophone. It is understood Mr Kripalani, besides relatives, asked for interviews with friends as well and the Home Minister is considering his request.

The Home Minister told pressmen that Mr. Kripalani was Sind Government's special guest and would be given all facilities

As regards his transfer to U. P. the Minister said that this concerned the Central Government.

De Gaulle Govt. To Manage French Supply Programme

SHAEF, April 23 (Reuter): France's restoration to power in less than 11 months after "D-Day" is indicated by an important announcement today by General Eisenhower that effective from May 1 the French Provisional Government will assume responsibility for the entire French supply programme, which until now has been handled by the Governments of the United States and the United Kingdom.

This follows recent conferences held in the United States and at SHAEF in collaboration with the French Provisional Government.

"Socialism Is Slavery"

Tory Party Chief Against "German-Made" Marxism

LONDON, April 23 (U.P.I.): Conservatives are still toying with the idea of a snap general election. Indications of this came from Mr. Ralph Ashton, M.P., Chairman of the Conservative Party. Speaking at a Conservative Party meeting in Newcastle-on-Tyne, he warned the local Tory associations to be "ready for election by early summer."

Outlining the Tory plans, he described socialism as slavery and an "even more fundamental reason which should make us hesitate to adopt the Socialist doctrine is that we in this country have been fighting against the German totalitarianism and we do not wish to adopt as our creed the German-made doctrine of Karl Marx."

WAVELL-AMERY HITCH?

LONDON, April 23 (U.P.I.): Prolonged talks between Lord Wavell and the Secretary of State for India behind the thick veil of secrecy have given rise to anxious speculation in political circles. Despite the blackout of the news reports are circulating in well informed quarters that acute differences have risen between Amery and the Viceroy that now exists deadlock within the greater Indian deadlock.

This fact is underlined today by the "Sunday Pictorial" which says: "It is an open secret that Lord Wavell and Mr. Amery do not see eye to eye on the future of India. Since the Viceroy came home on leave there have been some sharp exchange of opinion at the India Office. Cards are always stacked on Lord Wavell's side as he has been talking on the spot with nearly every leader of Indian opinion.

WAVELL'S RETURN AS YET UNDECIDED

LONDON, April 23: (U.P.A.): There has been no official decision yet reached as to when Lord Wavell will return to India, the United Press of America learned today.

Unofficially, however, it is expected that he will return before the end of April or the first week in May.

Role Of Music And Art In National Culture

LUCKNOW, April 22 (A.P.I.): The Nawab of Rampur delivering his Convocation address at the Bhatkhande University of Indian Music said that it was unfortunate that music and art had not been given their proper place in our country. It was, therefore, their business, he added, to see that due recognition was given to this art which was such a valuable part of their national culture.

He announced that at his request the Maharaja of Maihar had accepted the Pro-Chancellorship and the Raja of Jehangirabad the Vice-Chancellorship of the Bhatkhande University.

The Marris College of Music, Lucknow, should be affiliated to the University both for the purpose of administration and studies, and run under its supervision, he suggested.

The Nawab of Rampur mentioned some of his own research and stated that all the valuable literature on music preserved in the Rampur Durbar Library was always at the disposal of lovers of music. He also proposed to present a large stock of such rare and authoritative books to the University.

Madras X'ian Legislators And Sapru Recommendations

MADRAS, April 23 (A.P.I.): The Madras Legislative Indian Christian Party held a meeting last night under the presidency of Mr. S. J. Gonsalves, M.L.C., to consider the political situation in the country in the light of the Sapru Committee proposals.

The Party opposed the division of India into units based on domination by any particular community though it would not express itself against the principle of self-determination. The Party felt that the Sapru Committee had failed to suggest a scheme which would efface communalism in course of time.

The Party wanted a constitutional scheme to be so devised that all communities would have an effective voice in the return of the candidates to the Legislatures, and that the Government of the country would be in the hands of persons having the confidence of the majority party. The party also demanded the setting up of representative governments at the Centre and in the Provinces and urged for due representation therein for the Indian Christian community.

GERMANS SCARED PINK OF RUSSIANS

But Nazi Minds Still In Strait-Jackets: Deny All Knowledge Of Atrocities

FROM D. F. KARAKA,
"Chronicle" War Correspondent
INSIDE GERMANY, April 23.

Two days ago, British Armour over-ran this village, it came through fields across the country. The Germans had abandoned it after a two-hour resistance. As the first armoured cars and tanks entered the village, the inhabitants were still in their cellers and basements. British soldiers went round and told the towns people it was all over and they could come out. Soon after, houses were requisitioned and British forces moved in.

I went round yesterday, with a German-speaking interpreter, to speak to the German people of this little village. I went to several houses. They were intelligent middle-class people the backbone of Germany. Their homes were spick and span, well-furnished, clean, well painted, with good crockery, cutlery and glassware tastefuly chosen.

It was surprising to find houses like these in small villages like the one in which I am staying. In one of these, was a German airman who had been wounded over France in a dig-fight and had lost a limb. He was a young man, about 35, a typical blond type with light wavy hair and blue eyes. He had a stern Prussian look in his eyes; his jaw was firm. On the arrival of the British, he gave himself up as prisoner, but because of his wounded condition, they asked him to remain where he was till the Military Government came over. At first he resented my presence, but later became friendlier on discovering that I was a war correspondent, and more because I was an Indian. He was a regular soldier of the Wehrmacht belonging to the Air Force.

I asked him how he felt about the turn of events. He shrugged his shoulders and replied sadly, "it is too bad for us." "Where you very surprised when the British reached this village?" I asked. He bit his lower lip and said: "They have a very powerful armour."

THE "ENEMY" STILL

He spoke little English and suddenly broke his outward indifference by asking, "how far is the enemy from Berlin?" The word "enemy" seemed strange, for he was referring to the Americans, but spontaneously he had called them as he was always accustomed to regard them. I told him the latest news, at which his evebrows lifted. In quiet undertones, he translated it to his sister-in-law, a fair, tall German girl who was working for the Red Cross. "When do you think the war will be over?" I asked. All the soldier in him came out and he said, his shoulders braced: "Not till the last soldier has died on the battle-ground." I give his answers as he spoke to them or as interpreted to me.

I told him them about the Belsen camp and the horrors I had seen. I described it in minutest detail. The German interpreter translated as I spoke. They listened in silence, but soon the women closed her eyes. He then interrupted and said that it was not true. He added "I cannot believe it." The interpreter who was a German, told him he too had heard it was true. "I cannot believe it", the German aviator exclaimed again. Then, turning to me, he said: "If i is true, I should be very ashamed." explained that I was not trying to reproach him as an individual, but was showing him how, under the Nazi State, a great majority of people did not even know how the State functioned.

I added, "What do you think should be done with the Commandant of the camp?" He looked down but did not reply. The interpreter explained to me that, being a German soldier, he was on oath never to speak against his country and its people.

"BENEFITS" OF HITLER REGIME

I asked him his opinion of Hitler. "Hitler is a man of great ideals. It is unfortunate they were not realised in this war." "Would you say the Belsen Camp was part of those ideals?" I asked. The airman replied: "I am sure Hitler, like me, does not know the facts about camps." "Do you think Himmler knows them?" I asked. He did not answer. He merely shrugged his shoulders. Again he turned to the woman and said it was unbelievable. He said to her: "It is very bad for us." He fumbled for some defence for his country, and said "It is a pity you have seen only the black side of this picture; "you do not know what Hitler has done for the people—his winter relief, his insurance, his National Socialism, which is all real. I said I should accept all his arguments about benefits of Hitler's regime, to the German people, if he, as a soldier, could tell me what he, as a judge, would do to the Commandant of the Belsen Camp, assuming that he was independently convinced, not now but later, of the horrible atrocities committed therein I said: "Under Nazism you never even knew about their existence. Even if you lose the benefits of National Socialism, will gain freedom of thought and freedom of expression which is worth more than all winter reliefs." There was a pause.

Again, he said: "I cannot believe it."

THE SCHOOLMASTER SPEAKS

I next went to a schoolmaster. He had seen two wars. He was more humble. Said he: "I see the same picture for Germany as in 1918, and worse if the 'Russians get here.'" So strong has been the German propaganda against Russia that the German people have a mortal fear of Russians. He explained how the middle-school had now been abolished in favour of what is called "Hitler school." Here came children between 10 and 14: here they learnt the essential basic tenets of "good Nazism"; here they learnt how to die for der Fuehrer and to breed blond Aryans to the greater glory of the Vaterland."

A liberated Belgian pastry-cook to whom we gave a lift on his being released from a camp near Bremen, said in French: "German children are fanatic, almost crazy." The schoolmaster was at first afraid of me. He thought I was an Allied Gestapo trying to make subtle inquiries. He kept repeating he had retired because he had heart trouble. Once when I interrupted his train of thought, he brusquely said: "Pay attention please", which was typical of him. He looked unbelieving when I told him the Belsen story. Nobody in Germany believes it. Nobody believes he or she is guilty. It is always what der Fuehrer said to them.

So it was with a chemist with all manner of people I have met inside Germany. Nor does anything matter to these people. Only one thought disturbs them—they are just scared pink of Russians. Neither British armour nor American bombers frighten them as much as the sight of a Russian. But the Russians are there and soon they will be walking down the "Unter den Linden."

BIRDS AND EGGS BY THE MILLION

Mass Production For British And Indian Army's Table

AGRA, April 22: Big expansions in Central Command's livestock and poultry farms are planned for the six months ending next October. When in full production the total yearly output will amount to 1,200,000 table birds and 1,040,000 dozen eggs, which represent 100 per cent of the Command's hospital chicken requirements and 22 per cent of its egg requirements.

In addition British troops will receive 60 per cent of their pork from direct military production and after October only 20 per cent of the Command's fresh vegetables will be drawn from contractors.

Farms are scattered all over this vast provisioning and training area of Central Command. There are egg farms and mass production units of table birds at Izatnagar, Agra, Delhi, Nagpur, Lahore, Meerut, Ambala, Jubbulpore, Lucknow, Allahabad, Clement Town, Julkundur and Ferozepore; more are to be established at Mhow, Jhansi and Cawnpore.

By October there will be seven egg farms in Delhi, eight in Lahore, seven in Dehra Dun, seven in Jubbulpore and others in Chhindwara, Jhansi and elsewhere. Expansion of the five existing duck farms has started and rabbit production is to be extended by two more farms, making a total of five.

Two more pig farms are to be added to the existing 16, together with large expansions planned at each, which will raise pig production by well over 100 per cent.

The idea behind this ambitious undertaking is to enable Central Command to find the immediate necessities for its own forces with the least disturbance of India's economic structure, writes an Indian Army Observer.

The scheme forms part of a large plan which has its counterpart in other armies and commands in India, each controlled by separate economic co-ordination committees whose tasks are to check price inflation, determine sources of supply and regulate consumption so as to protect breeding stock and seed, and to make good deficits in supply. These committees meet at regular intervals and report to the Government of India and to the provincial governments and states concerned.

TOO SHORT NOTICE TO FLY TO 'FRISCO

"Hitavada" Editor's Reply To India Govt.

NAGPUR, April 23 (A.P.I.): Mr. A. D. Mani, editor, the "Hitavada", has informed the Government of India to his inability to proceed to San Francisco "in view of extremely short notice."

Mr. Mani received a telegram from the Government of India on Saturday night, offering him facilities of air transport to go to San Francisco as a representative of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference. But he sent a telegram today saying that he could not possibly make the necessary arrangements owing to such short notice. He added that the Conference would have begun before he could reach San Francisco.

Why Mrs. Pandit Goes To 'Frisco?

NEW YORK, April 23 (Reuter): Denouncing British rule in India here on Sunday night Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, sister of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, declared that India was made a belligerent by an act of the British Parliament.

"Today, India is not a willing participant in the war. I think it only right that the American people should understand why this should be so. A military victory without a moral victory does not have very much meaning. I am on my way to San Francisco as one who is interested in the establishment of better relations in the world."

She leaves on Monday afternoon for San Francisco.

Conference To Open To-morrow

SAN FRANCISCO, April 23 (Reuter): Twelve hundred delegates are now assembling here for the World Security Conference which will be formally opened at 5 p. m. on Wednesday afternoon.

The delegates will represent 46 nations who have received invitations. Eighteen other countries failed to qualify for invitations, firstly because they did not declare war on Germany as laid down at the Yalta Conference, and secondly because they did not sign the United Nations Declaration.

General Smuts who is already here has met several other delegates including the chief of the Republican members of the United States Delegation, Senator Arthur Vandenberg.

Senator Vandenberg said today: "A world formula for collective security in the world must be developed. It is in America's self-interest to be part of it."

Chicago Grains Slightly Higher

CHICAGO, April 21 (U P A) Wheat prices were fractionally higher at the close of trading in the Chicago grain pit today. The market undertone was firm, despite favourable weather reports from the wheat growing states, indicating a larger crop.

There was active trading in rye with the May delivery price position firm and all other deliveries showing slight gains. The statistical position of the market, according to the Chicago Sun, still is bullish.

Grain prices generally moved in a narrow range.

Some wheat traders adjusted their May and July positions anticipating larger arrivals of wheat at terminals. The underlying cash position, however, still was tight. Plentiful supplies, it was said, will cut down the demand for wheat as feed but surplus receipts are expected to find an outlet in the large demand by the Government for wheat wlour. It is expected that the Government's demands for flour, to supply the armed forces and liberated peoples in Europe, will be increasingly large.

Closing wheat prices:

Delivery	Previous	today
May	1.72 1/4 to 1.72	1.72 1/2
July	1.62 1/8 to 1.62	1.61 to 1.61 1/8

New York Bank Stocks

NEW YORK, April 21 (U P A.) New York bank stocks were in fair demand in the over-the-counter market this week. Today's closing price for shares in the National City Bank of New York were old 42; asked, 43 1/2.

Assam Treasury Bills

Tenders for Rs Three Crores (Rupees three crores only) of three months' Government of Assam Treasury Bills were opened on Monday the 23rd April. Total amount offered was Rs 3,85,00,000 —(Rupees three crores eighty-five lakhs only).

Tenders at Rs 99-14-6 were accepted in full and those at Rs. 99-14-3 allotted approximately 79 per cent. Lower tenders were rejected. Total amount accepted was Rs Three Crores, the average rate of accepted tenders being Re 0/6/10 per cent per annum.

Calicut Quotations

CALICUT April 23.

Cocoanuts Raw 78 Dry 76 Cocoanut-oil 315 Copra Office 190 Dilpasand 205 Madrasnottam 220 Goodgoods 215 Pepper Mynaad 377/8 Country 372/8 Dry-ginger Chernad 260 Ernad 250 Coffee Robusta 84.

Madras Share Bazar

MADRAS April 23.

SUGARS AND BREWERIES: Deccan 36 Do 85 India Sugar 31 Mysore Sugar 68/4 South India 16/8.

PLANTINGS: Cochin Malabar 16/12 Chembra Peaks 9/8 Frienglords 17/2 High Produce 30/4 Kaprikas 31/4 Kalasa 18/13 Malankara 77 Manalur 8/2 Midland 12/1 Outcheriony 8/15 Rajagiri 13/3 Thirumbadi 3/14/8 Vaikundam 20/5 Vellamlai 29/8 Vellitam 34/10 Woodlands 11/8.

TEXTILES: Bangalore Wool 473 B and C Ordy 315 Balasubramania 100 Canbodia 24 Coimbatore Spg 143 Dhanalaxmi 324 Janardhana 95 Kalaswesarqar 720 Kothari Tex 230 Mettur 250 Madura 68/8 Vasantha 289.

MISCELLANEOUS AND CEMENT 115 Ind Sk Roll 10/4 Mysore Chem and Fert 22 Mettur Chem 15/9/6 Do Ltd 6/2 Singareni 20/12 Spencer 13/13.

New York Share Prices Firm

NEW YORK, April 21 (U. P A.): Prices were firm as the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange to-day. The short Saturday session generally was quiet. A good demand for shares in railway and steel companies featured the day and some railway shares gained as much as two points. Bethleham Steel Co. shares rose more than one dollar. Shares in the motors and oil companies generally were firm.

Closing prices included:

Company.	Previous.	April 21.
U S. Steel Common	66 3/8	66 3 4
General Motors	68	(garbled)
Anaconda Copper	33 1/2	33 5/8
Pennsylvania Rly	37 5/8	37 3.4
Douglas Aircraft	70	69 1/2
Amer Tel and Tel		164 5/8

BOMBAY GOVT.'S "BLUE BOOK" ON POST-WAR PLANS

Copies of the second "Blue Book" on the Bombay Government's Post-War Reconstruction Plans can be had from the Government Book Depot, Charni Road Gardens, Bombay. The price is six annas a copy.

MAHARAJA OPENS CENTRAL BANK'S BRANCH AT CHHOTA UDEPUR

CHHOTA UDEPUR, By Mail: H.H. the Maharaja Natwarsinhji of Chhota Udepur performed the opening ceremony of the Chhota Udepur branch of the Central Bank of India Ltd. on April 16 in the presence of a distinguished gathering.

FACTS about *the Bombay Bus Conductors*

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Wavell Meets Montgomery

Field Marshal Lord Wavell, Viceroy of India, (left) visits Field Marshal Montgomery at his headquarters.

Dr. Purdy's Dramatic Bid For Freedom

CHICAGO METHODS AT ARTHUR ROAD PRISON OFFICE

But Municipal Lorry Driver's Obstinacy To Oblige Foils Convicts' Attempt At Escape

A desperate bid for liberty by Dr. Murray Gow Purdy and five other European convicts from the Arthur Road Prison on Sunday afternoon was foiled by the intervention of the police. Within two hours of their escape they were all re-arrested and brought back.

The escape presented all the features of a Chicago gangster melodrama.

It is learnt that Dr. Purdy accompanied by a convict named Rao went to the prison office yesterday afternoon. Purdy went inside the office and Rao stayed back near the sentry. The purpose of the visit as stated by Purdy to the jail authorities, was that he and Rao wanted to present certain applications to the Government.

Once Purdy got into the office things happened with lightning rapidity. The telephone lines were cut, the men in the office were bundled into a room after what is learnt to be a preliminary assault, and then locked in.

Dr. Purdy then joined Rao, who was keeping guard over the sentry. At this stage, five other European convicts came tumbling from over the wall. With the arrival of the reinforcements, things happened to the sentry who is learnt to have been dazed, assaulted and overpowered. The prisoners then got out of the prison into the open road.

An unexpected accident was responsible for the presence of a Municipal lorry some distance away from the prison. The seven prisoners who escaped, were running in a scattered manner. Dr. Purdy and three others jumped into the lorry, while the other three preferred to trust to their legs.

LORRY DRIVER'S REFUSAL

The lorry driver refused to drive them and was slapped and otherwise mauled for not obliging. But he turned off the car switch and incapacitated the engine.

Meanwhile the public and the jail authorities who came on the scene overpowered the four men and took them back to jail.

ARRESTED WHILE BOARDING TAXI

Two others were arrested as they were boarding a taxi and the seventh man was arrested as he was trying to cross the Chinchpokli Railway lines.

Two of the arrested men are undergoing sentence in connection with the Aurora and Paradise Shooting cases.

The arrests of the escaped men were effected by Dy. Commissioner Hosally, Khan Sahib Chaudry, Superintendent, Inspector Quilter and S.I. Miranda.

The chase of the escaped men lasted two hours.

U. S. Journalists To Inspect Germany

Will Report Nazi Atrocities To 'Frisco Conference

WASHINGTON, April 22 (Reuter): The twelve members of American Congress who, with 17 prominent Publishers and Editors, are going to Germany to inspect concenirations, are fully representative of both the parties and of all shades of opinion.

Included in the party is Senator Alben Barkley, Leader of Democratic Party. The Publishers will include Br. General Julius Ochs Adler Vice-President of the "New York Times", Ben Hibbs, Editor of the 'Saturday Evening Post" and Norman Chandler, General Manager of the "Los Angeles Times". The report of visit will be presented to the San Francisco conference.

GERMAN PRODUCER ON NAZI ATROCITIES

After being confronted with the horrors of the Buchenwald Concentration Camp, Karl Von Schirach—father of the notorious Baldur Von Schirach, Nazi youth leader—said: "Hitler could not have known such barbarities being committed. He came to see me in 1935 and he was so polite, kind and cultured and took such interest in dramatic art that I am convinced he is a man of great humanity."

"He—Hitler—is a great and good man" insisted Von Schirach's daughter Rosalind after a tour of the camp but added "this barbarity has thrown Germany back into the dark ages."

Karl Von Schirach, who is a theatrical producer, declared "There is a ring around him—the Fuehrer. I have been told that Himmler has been at Buchenwald and I believe he knew more of what was going on.

To an artist like me what I saw at Buchenwald was disgusting. We knew there was a camp at Buchenwald but did not know of the atrocities."

Asked what lines he would adopt for the future education of German youth, he said: "My answer would be different to my son's. German mothers should be given the job of children's spiritual training and teachers should give physical and academic preparation. There should not be any militarism which brought us to this terrible state."

Arrested For Criminal Breach Of Trust

BOMBAY, Monday.

Charged with committing criminal breach of trust in respect of three tolas of gold valued at Rs. 210, and then vanishing into thin air, Kasinath Sadashiv Jayant was arrested by the Maharbowri Police yesterday. He was placed before Mr. D. S. Babrekar, Presidency Magistrate, Girgaum Court today who ordered him to be released on bail of Rs. 300 or remanded in custody till May 7.

Ichalkaranji Estate Enquiry Begins

(From Our Correspondent.)

KOLHAPUR April 23.

An enquiry committee appointed in connection with the Ichalkaranji Estate Heir commenced under the chairmanship of Mr. Dhavle in the Assembly Hall.

There are many complicated issues before the Committee and the proceedings have been kept strictly confidential. All the prominent legal advisers are defending the parties involved in the inquiry.

MOLOTOV IN WASHINGTON

Confers With U. S. And British Foreign Secretaries

WASHINGTON, April 22. (Reuter): The Soviet commissar for foreign affairs M. Molotov arrived here by air to-day on his way to the San Francisco conference where he will head the Russian delegation.

M Molotov was greeted by the United States Secretary of State, Mr. Edward Stettinius, British, Russian and other American officials.

The Soviet Foreign Commissar M. Molotov, the United States Secretary of State, Mr. Stettinius, and the British Foreign Secretary Mr. Eden are at present conferring at the State Department.

M. Molotov called on President Truman shortly after 8-30 and a little later in the company of Mr. Stettinius visited the State Department where he met Mr. Eden. Important talks were under way by 9-30—less than four hours after M. Molotov's plane came to rest on Washington's aerodrome.

STETTINIUS HAS NOTHING TO SAY

The meeting concluded at 11-20.

Mr. Stettinius stated they were adjourning for the night and said he had nothing else to say.

TRUMAN WELCOMES MOLOTOV

President Truman received Soviet Foreign Commissar M. Molotov and United States Secretary of State, Stettinius, at 8-30 (Local Time) at Blair House where he is residing while White House is being got ready. An impressive cavalcade of black official limousines carried Molotov and his party and the diplomatic officials who met them at the airport directly to Blair Lee House next door to President Truman's home. It is not yet known whether the "Big Four" Foreign Ministers will meet this evening or tomorrow morning.

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE ON POLISH QUESTION

WASHINGTON, April 23 (Reuter): M. Molotov, Mr. Eden, and Mr. Stettinius resumed conversations at the State Department early today with the British and American Ambassadors to Russia, Sir Archibald Clark Kerr and Mr. Averell Harriman respectively also taking part. The Polish question is being given priority.

PUNJAB MAIL DERAILMENT CASE

JALGAON, April 23 (A.P.I.)—Disagreeing with the unanimous verdict of the four assessors against Madhao Dhanaji Patil and the majority verdict against Rambhau Bhoge, the Additional Sessions Judge of Jalgaon convicted both the accused and sentenced them to two years' R.I. for offences under the Defence of India Rules and to seven years' R.I. for offences under the Indian Railways Act. The sentences are to run concurrently.

The accused were charged with being members of an unlawful assembly formed with the object of tampering with rails and causing derailment of the Punjab Mail near Raver station on the G.I.P. Railway on the night of October 27, 1944.

Accused Madhao Dhanaji Patil was certified to be of 20 years age and was ordered to serve his sentence in the Juvenile Jail.

The other accused, Rambhau Bhoge, was a member of the All-India Congress Committee and surrendered himself at Sevagram on January 26, 1945.

NAZIS SET UP BIG RADIO STATION IN "FORTRESS"

LONDON, April 20 (Globe): It is believed in some circles were that Goebbels' speech on the eve of Hitler's birth-day may be the last of such propaganda utterances before the final abandonment of Germany's struggle in the field and withdrawal to the Bavarian stronghold.

It is reported that a powerful broadcasting transmitter has been set up within the "Fortress", but it is considered probable that if the last-stand by Nazi fanatics eventuates this will be used not so much for hopeless appeals to the German people as for broadcasting threats regarding important hostages in German hands and propaganda aimed at negotiated peace on favourable terms.

Goebbels' declaration that a few years after the war Germany "will once again be friends with all nations of good will" is seen here as an early indication of possible further "good will" approaches to come later.

Ahmedabad Tenants' Representation To Gandhiji

(From A Correspondent).

AHMEDABAD, April 20.—The Ahmedabad Tenants' Association has sent a telegram to Mahatma Gandhi drawing his attention to the acute suffering experienced by the tenants of Ahmedabad.

WOMEN BLIMPS RULE CANTEENS

Army Men Complain Against 'Old Singapore Atmosphere And Poona Snobbery' In Clubs

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, April 23.

Assertions by two Peers in the House of Lords about India's "European slackers" have started a first-class controversy here and the present campaign in the press is unlikely to die down till an authoritative statement is issued by the Indian Government. The "London Star" diarist says that a number of men back from India, share the views of Lord Audley. The "Star" diarist quotes the following comments by a Staff Captain: "Memsahibs—pampered women Blimps of Army stations—rule with such a rod of iron that soldiers are afraid to enjoy themselves when on leave. The old Singapore atmosphere still clings to clubs and even canteens. You cannot smoke till you are given permission. You have to dress according to Book Rules and 'great ladies' who condescend to wander through canteens to see how the men are, and expect you to behave as though war were a garden party."

Here are the "Star" diarist's own observations: "From what this officer said, 'women Blimps' deserve all the criticism they got from Lord Audley. Lord Wavell has done all he can to keep the promise he made before going to India as Viceroy. He has cut out pomp and Poona snobbery. Bigger clubs have been thrown open to officers and men now returning from the Burma fighting front on leave, but I am told that only those who can claim some social distinction make use of the offer. Recently, I had a letter from a friend who has been in Bombay. "If it were not for the kindness of some Indians and little people at home who run canteens, he said, 'soldiers would have a pretty rotten time of it here. Before you are accepted by better people, they shake your family—tree to see what falls out'."

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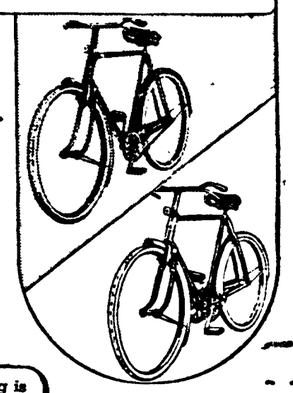

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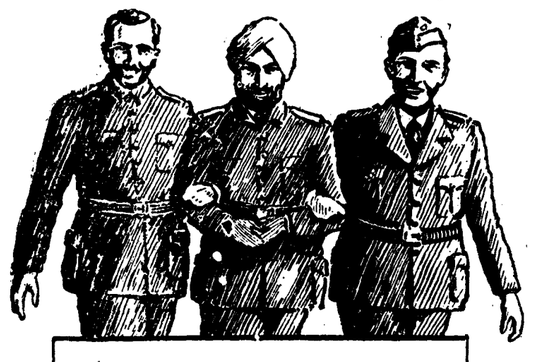

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Early Drop In Shares Attracts Heavy Covering

COTTON PRICES RECORD ANOTHER BREAK

Bullion Market Steady With Moderate Buying

BOMBAY, Monday.

Excellent war news and the proposed control of key industries were responsible for the weakness of the Bombay Stock Exchange during the early part, but the drop attracted brisk short covering and active support from professional operators. The turnover was fairly heavy in Tata Steel shares and the steady rise in steel shares attracted some buying in textile shares. As a result of day's trading, Tata Steel Dfds. lost Rs. 1/4, Ordinary Rs. 4/-, Bombay Dyeings gained Rs. 2/8 and Kohinoors were unchanged.

Cotton market was depressed to-day on heavy unloading and occasional rallies were not maintained. It appears that the fight between Bulls and Bears is becoming very keen over the question of May tenders.

Bullion market opened quiet but later on there was moderate buying and the tone was steady.

SHARE BAZAR

The proposed state control for Indian industries such as Iron, Steel, Salt, Aircraft and Shipbuilding created considerable interest on the local Stock Exchange where increased activity was noticed. It remains to be seen whether the public welcome such a move after recent experiences of various controls. At the opening the market was weak on excellent war news but soon firmed up under active buying. Tata Steel Dfds. opened Rs. 34 lower at Rs. 2017 and advanced to Rs. 2041 on buying based on state control. Ordinary Shares opened at Rs. 381 and improved to Rs. 384. Bombay Dyeings opened at Rs. 1782 against previous closing at Rs. 1805 and recovered to this level on moderate support but the rise met renewed selling and Dyeings steadied at Rs. 1797. Kohinoor Mill Shares opened at Rs. 594 and ruled quiet at Rs. 592. The market sentiment remains of a mixed nature.

The opening decline was assisted by proposed control of key industries But later on there was fairly active short covering and some replacement buying by professional operators. Turnover was fairly large in Steel Dfd. Shares and closing tone was very steady.

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

MILLS

Apollo 3/12/9 3/12/6 3/12/9
B. Dyeing 1780 98/12 95 1805 2/8 5 1/4 7/8
Bradbury (Pref) 528/12
Central India (Ord) 367 70 68 71/8 70/8 71/8 71 (Ex. Div)
Century 900 905
Colaba 217, 18/8 18
Edward 670 77/8
Elphinstone (Ord) 85 86 85
Elphinstone (Pref) 125
Finlay 297 301 299 300
Gokak 297 98 97 96
India United (Defd) 3 2/15
India United (Ord) 14/3 7 14 14/4 14/4/6
Indore 722/8 20 33/12 30 31/4
Khatau 325
Kohinoor 585 95/8 93 98 97
Luxmi 1317/8
Meyer 186/4 87/8
Model 233/12
New Great 370 67 69/8 68 70 69 70
Simplex 256 53 58 57/8 59
Swadeshi 535 33 39 36 42 40 42
Swan 325
Tata Mills 56/4 56/8
Vishnu 482/8

BANKS.

Baroda 135/8
Central 78/8 79 71/4 78/12
Imperial (Old) 1980
Imperial (New) 491/4 92/8
India 186 85/12 86
Reserve 133/6
Union 8/12

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad 242/8 41/4 42/8 40 42/8
Andhra Valley 1725 30 27/8
Tram. (Ord) 147/8 48 47/4 47/8
Tram. (Pref) 68/8
Suburban 206/4
Karachi 220
Surat 232/8 35
Hydro (Ord) 203 3/8
Power (Ord) 1857/8 65
Power (Pref) 1776/4

INSURANCE.

New India 76/8 76/4 76/8 76/4
Scindia 32/2 32/5 32/3
Jam Wire 143/8
Tata Steel (Defd) 2020 15 41/4 36/4 50 47/8 50
Tata Steel (Ord) 381 79 84 83 85/8 85
Tata Steel (1s Pref) 221/14
Tata Steel (2nd Pref) 161/8 61/12

MISCELLANEOUS.

Alcock 411/4 12/8
A. Cement 227/8 26/8 29/12 29 29/8 29
Belapur 215 13 15 13 14 12/8
Burmah (Old) 502/8 5
Burmah (New) 181/4 82/8
B B. Petrol 5
I. I. Trust 214/8
P. Construction (Ord) 205 8 7 8
Shivrajpur 49/8 49
Tata Chemical 20/2
Tata Oil 66/8
Western India Match 316/4
Exchange Bank of India (Ord) 53/4

GOLD AND SILVER

The Reserve Bank of India sold today 300 bars Silver at Rs. 131/1 and 24,000 tolas Gold at Rs. 74/10. In view of excellent war news buyers were market was fairly steady with a restricted turnover.

Forward Gold open at Rs. 74/4 and improved to Rs. 74/7 under scattered buying but met some realising and declined to Ds. 74/1 and later steadied at Rs. 74/5. Next settlement was quoted at a discount of annas eight at Rs. 73/13. Ready Gold was placed at Rs. 74/12. Forward Silver opened at Rs. 129/12 and improved to Rs. 130/6 under moderate covering. Ready Silver was quoted at Rs. 132/10.

The market ruled very steady as floating stock in the Bazar is limited The market closed as under:

Silver Ready	132	2	0
Silver Settlement	130	10	0
Gold Ready	74	10	0
Current Settlement	74	6	0
Next Settlement	73	14	0

BOMBAY COTTON

After settlement of tenji-mandi on Saturday, the local cotton market is meeting increased selling pressure. On Saturday the market closed at Rs. 415/12 but unofficial business continued and prices after declining to Rs. 413 steadied at Rs. 414/8. To-day the market opened at Rs. 413/8 for May delivery and declined to Rs. 409 on renewed selling pressure and recorded to Rs. 411. The market is now facing tenders against May contracts and if Bulls part with March cotton, it will be almost impossible to hold prices but present prices are reasonable and if hedges are transferred to July the market may recover. The near futures of the market is uncertain.

The improvement attracted renewed selling and May delivery downturned to Rs. 407 with no support but scattered covering appeared and rallied to Rs. 409.

Later on there was increased covering from professional quarter and May advanced to Rs 410/8. The improvement was followed by tired long liquidation and declined to Rs 406. The market finally closed at 6 p m as under:

I C C May	407	0	0
I C C July	423	8	0
I C C September	435	0	0

Cotton Parity

Indian Cotton May Contract is 669 cent points below New York May at Exchange rate 331.

High & Low Cotton Prices

I.C.C. May Highest 422-1/2, Lowest 415-1/2, Closing at 3 p.m. 415.3/4.

I.C.C. July Highest 437, Lowest 430, Closing at 3 p.m. 430-1/2.

I.C.C. Sept. Highest 447.1/2, Lowest 440-1/2, Closing at 3 p.m. 441-1/4.

Karachi 4F May Highest 43/7/6, Lowest 42/14/0, Closing at 3 p.m. 42/15/9.

Bengal Cotton Crop

The third forecast of the cotton crops of Bengal for 1944-45

Area sown—the total area sown with the early cotton this year is estimated a 107,028 acres as against 83,768 acres in both the corresponding and the final forecasts of last year, and that with the late variety is estimated at 60 acres as against 145 acres in both the corresponding and the final forecast of last year.

The outturn of the early crop this year is estimated to be 31,985 bales as against 21,586 bales in the corresponding and the final forecast respectively of the last year and that of the late variety is estimated at 37 bales as against 58 and 53 bales in the corresponding and the final forecast of last year respectively.—A. P. I.

Bombay Produce

The local produce market was quietly steady with a restricted turnover: Groundnuts remain neglected without any important business and there was no change in quotations Castorseeds Bombay ready were quoted at Rs. 15/10 and Goa delivery quotation was Rs. 15/11. Linseed market was barely steady U. P. and C. P. Linseed was quoted at Rs. 16/5. Nizam State Linseed was placed at Rs. 16/4/6 and Satna Small Linseed stood at Rs. 16/2.

New York Cotton Inactive

NEW YORK, April 21, (U. P. A.): Trading was inactive on the New York Cotton Exchange to-day and the market during the two hour Saturday session was without any especial feature.

There was some covering in the May position by short traders and this factor along with trade price fixing, about balanced week-end liquidation selling and some hedging.

Traders generally made few new commitments because of a belief that very important developments in the war are impending. Sellers were cautious because of an expectation of very large foreign and domestic textile requirements Crop developments were expected to come to the foreground soon in deciding price trends—at least until the war situation shows some clarifications.

Narrow changes in prices were expected to continue.

Bankers' Clearing

Cheques delivered through the Bombay Bankers' Clearing House during the week ending 20-4-1945 were as under:—

Number of Cheques: 1,54,451.
Amount of Cheques: Rs. 50,08,75,221-2-6.

Hapur Market Review

HAPUR, April 20.

FOOD GRAINS: Wheat market remained extremely steady during the week under review. Current rates are fine 12/8 and average 11/12. The steadiness is caused by poor arrivals and alround purchases demand of the consumers. During the last many weeks people had suffered serious inconvinience in getting wheat. They are naturally anxious to cover their immediate requirements. Arrivals average 200 mds daily. Last crop's carryover has been reduced to one khatti only. Threshing results indicate excellent yield prospects.

There is some improvement in other food grain prices also. Arrivals in all cases expect of peas are very poor and last year's carry over too is also very moderate. The following are the current rates. Gram 8, Barley 6/8, Peas New 6/8, Old 5/7, Maize 6/2/6, Lajra 8 and Juwar 8. The following are the stock figures. Gram nil, Barley 25, Peas 131 and Bejhar 15 khattis.

BULLION: Silver market remained extremely sensitive and Gold prices moved more or less in the Silver parity. The weekly settlement definitely encourages bullish activity toward the close of the week as the delivery time approaches because of very limited Reserve Bank offerings. Spot demand always corners speculative bears. The market as a result invariably rises towards the close of the week. This week Silver touched 135/4, then fell to 128/6 and has subsequently improved to 131/14. Gold is presently quoted at 74/6. The undertone is steady.

RAPE AND MUSTARD SEEDS: The following maximum prices have been announced by the R. F. C. Meerut, Lahl 10, Lahta 10, Musiard seed yellow 11/12, Lothini 11 and Tora 10/12. Mustard oil standred squality 32, Ag marked graded 33, Special 34, Oil cakes Mustard seed and Linseed 2/12. Local market for seeds is very steady (Mustard seed 11/8) with poor arrivals.

PULSES: Markets remained quiet. Exports are still poor and other stock stands little chance of total liquidation during the present season. Current rates are; Urad 14/4/11, Arhar 6/4 Ready 7, Stock 109 khattis.

GUR: Market is extremely steady Arrivals are poor, while export demand is fairly heavy. Current rate is 9/8. Export permits for different places are quoted as follows: Punjab 10/8 Bengal 10/8, Rajputana 11/12, and C. P. 11/12.

Other commodity prices are as follows: Cottonseed Desi 10/4 Chilki 9/4 Bardana Chet 54/12, Masul 54/12, D. W. 56/4.

Wall Street Quotations

NEW YORK, April 21

U. S. Steel	66-5/8
Bethelehem Steel	76
N. Y. Central R. R Com.	24-7/8
N Y Central 5 per cent 2013	84.3/
N. Y. Chic: St. Louis Pfd	134
Chesapeake & Ohio	50-1/2
Chase National Bank	41-3/8
Nat. City Bank of N Y	42
General Motors	68.3/8
General Electric	41-7/8
Sun Life Assurance	345
Canadian Pacific	13
Texas Corpn	54-1/8
Socony Vacuum	17-1/8
Sinclair Oil	16-7/8
Anaconda Copper	33-1/2
Int. Nickel	32-3/4
Amer. Tel. & Tel	164-3/8
Western Union 'A'	46-1/4
Australia 5 per cent 1955	106
Consolidated Edison	28-3/8
Phillips Petroleum	52-3/4
Farnsworth Telev.	14-3/4

Metal Quotations

BOMBAY, April 23.

BHANGAR:	Rs.	as.	p
Brass Ready	157	0	0
Brass Chaitra	138	0	0
Brass Ashad	131	8	0
Copper Ready	148	0	0
Copper Chaitra	143	8	0
Copper Ashad	139	0	0

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, April 23.

LONDON; Banks buying 90 days/st. 1/6 7/32 1 and 2 months.

LONDON: Banks buying 90 days/st. 1/6 1/4 3 to 6 months.

B. O. Rates: T T 1/5 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16.

Banks selling T T 1/5 31/32 D D 1/5 31/32.

Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 3/32.

LDN/NEW YORK:

Banks selling T T Rs. 332 3/4 D D Rs 332 3/4.

Banks buying T T Rs. 329 1/2 D D Rs. 327 1/2.

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Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4 D D Rs. 295 3/4

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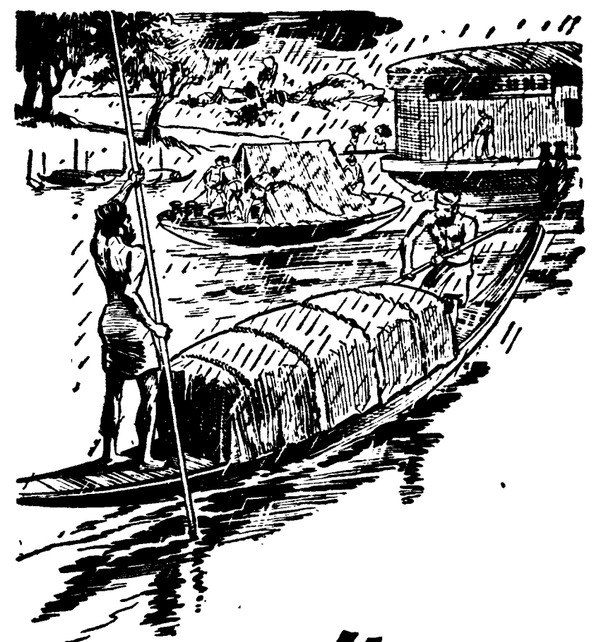

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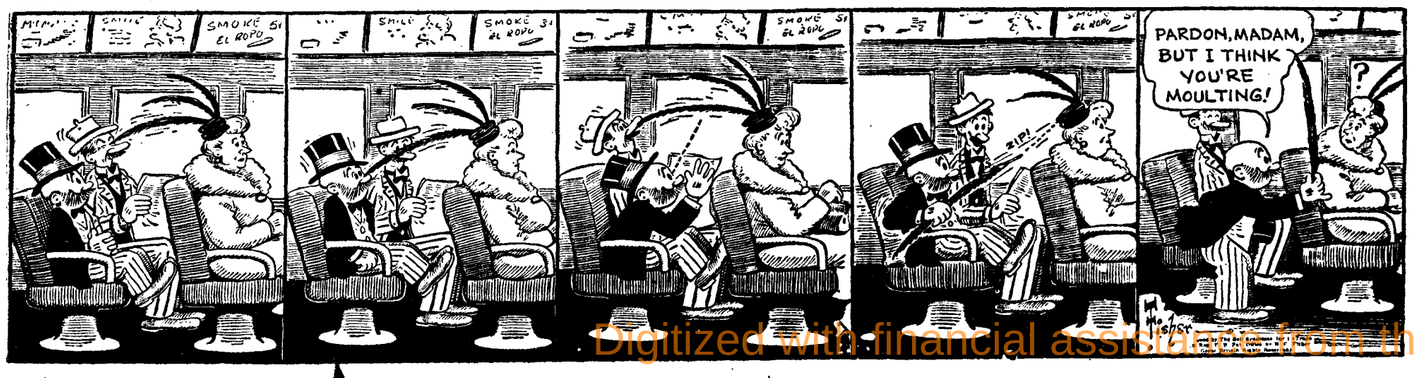

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B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY

Chief Engineer's Office,
Churchgate Bombay.
Dated 23-4-45.

SEALED TENDERS in English are invited for "Construction of (1) a store room 50' x 20' (2) Electric Sub-station 20' x 20' (3) Shed 180' x 17' in the Iron Wagon shop at Mahalakshmi".

2. Tenders should reach the office of the Executive Engineer, B. B. & C. I. Railway Churchgate not later than 11-30 hours on 30-4-45.

3. Tender form with schedule of approximate quantities and conditions can be had from the office of the Executive Engineer during office hours on payment of Rs. 2 only which will not be refunded.

4. Tenders will be accepted on this form only and must be accompanied by conditions, both form and conditions being signed by the tenderer.

5. Details such as plans etc., can be seen in the Executive Engineer's office during office hours.

CHIEF ENGINEER,
B. B. & C. I. Railway. 2975

ALL INDIA RADIO

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for a temporary post of Gujerati Translator|Announcer in the Central News Organisation, All India Radio, New Delhi, for the duration of the war. The post is reserved for candidates belonging to the Scheduled Castes only. Candidates from other communities will, however, be considered in case no suitable candidate belonging to the Scheduled Castes is available. The post carries a salary of Rs. 175|- p.m. in the scale of Rs. 175-10-235-15|2-250.

Candidates should possess a good general education, including a sound knowledge of English and Gujerati languages with ability quickly to translate English scripts into Gujerati. They should also have a voice suited to broadcasting. Experience of Gujerati journalism will be an additional qualification.

Selected candidates will be called for a written test, audition and interview at Bombay and will attend at their own expense.

Applications must be on the prescribed form which can be obtained free of charge from the Director of News, All India Radio, New Delhi, and must be accompanied by a treasury receipt for Rs. 3|-. No application will be considered if received after the 15th May, 1945.

No claim for a refund of the fee will be entertained, nor will any fee be held in reserve for any subsequent selection. Applications already received for a similar post in All India Radio before the publication of this advertisement will not be considered.

DIRECTOR OF NEWS, ALL INDIA RADIO,
Broadcasting House, New Delhi. 2981

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

Water Works Department.
NOTICE

TENDERS ACCOMPANIED by a deposit of Rs. 2,500|- for the supply of

60 Nos.	Water Meters	½" size.
10 Nos.	" "	2" size.
10 Nos.	" "	3" size.
20 Nos.	" "	4" size.

will be received upto 1 P.M. (Bombay Time) on Wednesday the 23rd May 1945.

1. Tenders should be addressed to the Municipal Commissioner and delivered at the Office of the Chief Accountant, Municipal Offices, Fort, Bombay, enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the description of the tender.

2. Tenders must be brought duly sealed to the Municipal Office and delivered at the Chief Accountant's Office as directed above. Tenderers shall not be allowed to fill in or seal their tenders at the Chief Accountant's or any other Municipal Office.

3. Forms of tender, specification, etc., will be issued on payment of Rs. 5|- to any one deputed to receive them by the Hydraulic Engineer, who will on application give any further information that may be required.

4. In case of a firm the names of all the partners must invariably be specified in the tender.

The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

E. A. NADIRSHAH,
Hydraulic Engineer.
Hydraulic Engineer's Office,
Improvement Trust Building,
Napier Road, Fort,
Bombay, 19-4-45. 2978

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the Central Service Class I post of Entomologist for the Malaria Institute of India, Delhi. The post will be filled on a temporary basis for the duration of the war

Candidates must possess a post-graduate degree, preferably Ph.D., in Entomology. Scale of pay is Rs. 325-25-650 (E.B.)—35-1,000. War allowance is admissible. Government servants are also eligible. In the case of exceptionally capable candidates a higher initial pay may be recommended to Government.

Candidates, if called for interview, will have to come to Delhi at their own expense. Applications with copies of testimonials and published work should be addressed to the Director-General, Indian Medical Service, New Delhi. The last date for receiving applications is 19th May, 1945.

Applications recently received for the posts of Assistant Director in the Malaria Institute of India will also be taken into consideration. Such candidates need not apply again. 2974

PUBLIC NOTICES

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

Hydraulic Engineer's Department.
NOTICE.

TENDERS ACCOMPANIED by a deposit of Rs. 300|- for the supply of 3 Nos. of 6" and 3 Nos. of 9" C. I. Dirt Boxes will be received upto 1 P.M. (BOMBAY TIME) on Friday the 4th May 1945.

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E. A. NADIRSHAH,
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Hydraulic Engineer's Office,
Improvement Trust Building,
Napier Road, Fort,
Bombay, 23-4-1945. 2977

G.I.P. RAILWAY
TRAIN NOTICE

THE PUBLIC ARE NOTIFIED that No. 33 Down Poona Passenger Train will run to the following timings on Wednesday the 25th April 1945:

		H.M.
Bombay V.T.,	Dep.	9-55
Byculla	Dep.	10-05
Dadar	Dep.	10-18
Kurla	Dep.	10-33
Thana	Dep.	10-53
Kalyan	Arr.	11-17
"	Dep.	11-27
Ambarnath	Dep.	11-34
Badlapur	Dep.	11-45
Vangani	Dep.	11-57
Neral	Arr.	12-08
"	Dep.	12-13
Bhivpuri Road	Dep.	12-20
Karjat	Arr.	12-30
"	Dep.	12-35
Khandala	Dep.	13-11
Lonavla	Dep.	13-26
Malavli	Dep.	13-39
Kamshet	Dep.	13-50
Vadgaon	Dep.	14-01
Talegaon	Dep.	14-09
Dehu Road	Dep.	14-23
Chinchvad	Dep.	14-37
Kirkee	Dep.	14-50
Sivaji Nagar	Dep.	15-05
Poona	Arr.	15-20

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THE PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK, LTD.,
LAHORE
NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the NINETY-EIGHT ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Punjab National Bank, Limited, Lahore, will be held at the Registered Office of the Bank, 47-The Mall, Lahore, on Friday, the 18th of May, 1945, at 5-30 P.M. for the purposes following namely:

1. To receive and to consider the Annual Statement of Accounts for the period ended 31st December, 1944, and the Balance-Sheet and the Report of the Directors and Auditors thereon.
2. To sanction the declaration of a dividend.
3. To elect Directors in place of the Directors of the General Board and Local Boards who retire by rotation.
4. To appoint Auditors for the year 1945 and to fix their remuneration. The present Auditors, Messrs. B. M. Chatrath & Co., are eligible for re-election.

The TRANSFER BOOKS and Register of Members of the Bank will be closed from 8th of May, 1945, to 21st of May, 1945, both days inclusive.

By order of the General Board of Directors,
YODH RAJ,
General Manager.
LAHORE.
Dated 21st February, 1945.

NOTE:—In the notice printed on the copy of balance-sheet and profit and loss statement sent to the Share-holders the commencing date of the period of closing has been printed as 7th of May through error. Shareholders are requested to read it as 8th of May instead of 7th of May. (2979)

AUCTION SALES

OPPORTUNITY TO BUY GENUINE PERSIAN CARPETS.

AUCTION SALE on FRIDAY, 27th April 1945, at 4 p.m. (N.S.T.), at our rooms, at 122 Apollo Street, Fort, of Genuine Persian and Bokhara Carpets, of fine count, in different designs and sizes. On view.

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Under instructions from Messrs. Ghulamali Noorani & Co., Attorneys for Messrs. Raja Bahadur Motilal Bombay Mills Ltd., Messrs. BENNETT & CO., will on FRIDAY, the 27th inst., at 4-30 p.m. (N.S.T.), sell by Public Auction on the premises:—

Leasehold land with buildings (except 3 temporary structures erected by tenants) known as the Raja Bahadur Motilal Bombay Mills Ltd., at Tardeo, about 10,924 square yards, Municipal Street Nos. 156, 156A, 140, 156B, 156, 156A, 156H, 160C, 160D, 160E, 160F, 160G, 160H, 156J, 156K, 156L, 156M, 160J, 160K.

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Under instructions from the party concerned, Messrs. BENNETT & CO., will on FRIDAY, the 27th inst. at 3 p.m. (N.S.T.), sell by Public Auction at their rooms:—

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BENNETT & CO.

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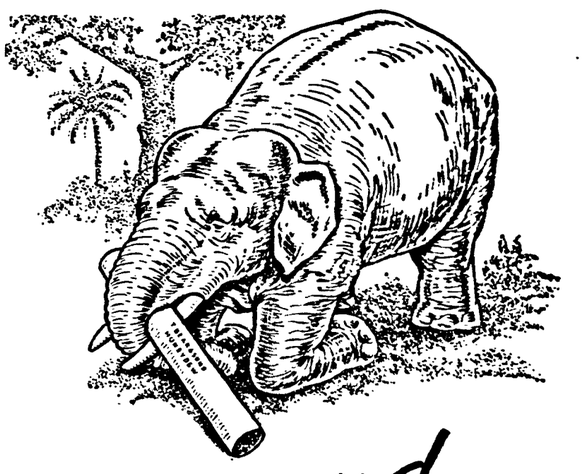

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